

HOUSING AND FOOD SERVICE

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Aubrey Nicksich



Nicksich, a sophomore from Franklin Regional High School, scored two goals in a 6-0 league win over Altoona on Saturday at Altoona. She then scored two more goals in their 4-0 win against Lake Erie on Tuesday at Lake Erie. Penn State Behrend is 2-0 in the conference and 3-5 overall. Behrend will next play Grove City at home on Monday starting at 4 p.m.

Top 25 may loom for hot men's soccer team

by Mike Francis
staff writer

The Sept. 11 tragedy brought a halt to all the major league baseball and football games, but the Behrend men's soccer team pressed on to win 2-0 at Washington & Jefferson just two days later.

The game was long and drawn out, with the ball going back and forth mostly in the defensive ends. Behrend had only nine shots on goal, but scored on two of them. Andy McCormick scored the first goal 15 minutes into the game. Behrend's Dan Falk scored the only other goal on a penalty kick.

Jefferson had 12 shots, but none had to be saved by Behrend goalie Jacob Hordych. Jefferson managed to stop five out of the nine shots on goal. The win raised Behrend's record to 4-1.

Behrend played their fourth straight away game against Altoona. The effects of the road trip did not seem to bother them, as the Lions won 4-1.

Andy McCormick, with an assist from Ryan Ohl and Chris Lightner, struck first for Behrend. Then one minute later, Mark Szewczykowski scored with an assist from Falk.

"The team is good at putting goals away when they are given the opportunity," said

Szewczykowski. "We are very confident in our team and in each other." Lightner and Falk scored other goals. Falk was named the AMCC's "Men's Soccer Athlete of the Week" for his performances.

On the statistical side of the game Behrend had 11 shots on goal compared with Altoona's six. Altoona was only able to stop three of 11 kicks. Behrend was much better, preventing seven shots from becoming goals.

Behrend was not done yet, taking its win streak to Lake Erie Tuesday.

With high spirits and an eagerness to end the streak of away games, Behrend annihilated Lake Erie 8-0. After a tight first half, the Lions scored most of the goals in the second half. Almost everyone on the team scored a goal.

Behrend posted an overwhelming advantage in shots on goal, 20 to six. With the depressing number of shots and their 1-3 record, Lake Erie was obviously frustrated and drew four penalty cards.

This win brings about the end of Behrend's road trip. The Lions' next and most difficult game is at home Sunday vs. Elizabethtown, where Behrend will bring a 6-1 record. Mark Szewczykowski said that even though Elizabethtown beat a nationally ranked team 5-2, the Lions are very confident and exited about Sunday's game and hope to see a ton of fan support.



PHOTO BY KRISTIN RODGERS

All of those intense practices, like the one shown here, must have paid off for the men's soccer team. The Lions have roared to a 6-1 record, the best record among all Behrend sports teams. Pictured from left to right are junior Ryan Ohl, freshman Bill Fader, sophomore Jeff Ewing, and senior Mark Szewczykowski.

A win here could put Behrend in the nation's top 25.

After that home game, the Lions go right back to the road, playing at conference foe Pitt-Bradford on Wednesday. The Lions will return

home for a game against Alfred on Sept. 28 before hitting the road for another two weeks. During that time the Lions will travel to California for a couple of games.

Young men's, women's golf teams hit the links

by Mike Bello
sports editor

The men's and women's golf teams have a lot of work ahead of them. Both squads are lined with many underclassmen, whose experience on the golf course at the college level is very limited at this point. In fact, the men's team is composed of only two sophomores and eight freshmen while the women's roster includes two seniors and three sophomores.

Second-year head coach Pat Mashuda isn't too worried about the lack of playing experience his teams have this year and their chances of improving upon last year though.

"With a fourth place finish in last season's conference tournament, it will be difficult to improve this season. The top three schools La

Roche College, Pitt-Bradford, and Pitt-Greensburg are very strong again this year. We are looking to put our selves in a position that if we have a very good day, we will be in the hunt at this year's conference tournament. I think that we have much more depth on this year's team than we did last year. Overall, our freshman class is very strong," said Mashuda.

On the men's side, sophomores Kirk Seth and John Telliho will be looked upon to keep the team strong in the early run. "The number one goal is to be competitive in every match we play. Also, I would like to see some leadership from our two second-year players (Seth, Telliho)," remarked Mashuda.

Rounding out the team are freshmen Albert Abramovic, Jeff Black, Josh Corle, Jeremy Keyon, Anthony Pagliari, Matthew Sack, Bo Usko, and Jim Vaughn. Seniors Antoinette Digel

and Kellee Harms head the women's side, with sophomores Sara Fisher, Paula Jessup, and Andrea Winston rounding out the roster. Fisher and Winston are the only returning players.

The Lions began their season on Sept. 13 in the Pitt-Greensburg Tournament by placing seventh out of 17 teams. The Lions had a combined score of 329, only 12 shots from the leaders, while Pagliari tied for fifth place with a round of 76. Seth wasn't too far behind, shooting an 80 on the day.

On Saturday, the Lions participated in the Lake Erie College Tournament, which included four other AMCC teams. This time, the Lions did not fare as well, placing seventh out of 10 teams with a combined score of 341. Pagliari again shot the lowest score of the day for Behrend, 80, with Corle close behind with an 84. Then, on Monday, the Lions played at the Penn State Altoona

Tournament, which included all AMCC teams except Frostburg. The Lions as a team shot a 331, good for third place, while Seth shot a 78, the lowest individual score on the day. Sack shot an 81, tied for eighth place in the tournament.

The Lions were scheduled to play in the Behrend Tournament on Thursday, which gave the Lions a chance to show the other AMCC teams they are for real.

Said Mashuda, "The Behrend Invitational provides our team with the opportunity to play some great competition outside of our conference. With Mercyhurst and Baldwin Wallace, as well as our usual conference competition, we will have a very strong field at Peek-n-Peak on Thursday."

The Lions follow that up with a tournament at Pitt-Bradford on Saturday before taking the next week and a half off.

SCOREBOARD

BEHREND SPORTS

Women's Soccer			Men's Soccer			Women's Tennis			Women's Volleyball		
School	C.R.	Overall	School	C.R.	Overall	School	C.R.	Overall	School	C.R.	Overall
Penn State Behrend	2-0	3-5	Penn State Behrend	2-0	6-1	Penn State Altoona	1-0	2-0	Frostburg	1-1	4-4
Pitt-Bradford	1-0	2-4	Frostburg	1-0	2-3	Penn State Behrend	1-0	2-6	Pitt-Bradford	1-1	3-8
Penn State Altoona	0-1	0-3	Lake Erie	1-1	2-4	Frostburg	1-1	3-3	Penn State Altoona	0-0	4-2
Lake Erie	0-2	1-6	Pitt-Bradford	0-1	4-2	Pitt-Greensburg	1-1	1-3	Penn State Behrend	0-0	7-8
Frostburg	0-0	6-1	Penn State Altoona	0-1	1-1	La Roche	0-2	0-2	Pitt-Greensburg	0-0	1-3
La Roche	0-0	3-3	Pitt-Greensburg	0-1	1-3				Lake Erie	0-0	1-4
Pitt-Greensburg	0-0	1-5	La Roche	0-0	3-3-1				La Roche	0-0	0-9



NATIONAL SPORTS

Men's World Tennis Rankings			MLB Standings										American League Batting Statistics					National League Batting Statistics								
RANK	NAME	CNTRY	PTS.	National League				American League				Batting Average (AVG)					Batting Average (AVG)									
				East	W	L	Pct.	GB	East	W	L	Pct.	GB	Player	Team	POS	AVG	Player	Team	POS	AVG					
1.	Gustavo Kuerten	Brazil	755	Atlanta	78	67	.538	---	Yankees	88	57	.607	---	1	I Suzuki	SEA	OF	.349	1	L Walker	COL	OF	.344			
2.	Andre Agassi	U.S.	683	Philadelphia	78	68	.534	0.5	Boston	73	70	.511	14	2	J Gonzalez	CLE	OF	.341	2	M Alou	HOU	OF	.338			
3.	Lleyton Hewitt	Australia	635	N.Y. Mets	74	73	.503	5	Toronto	72	73	.497	16	3	F Catalanotto	TEX	OF	.340	3	A Pujols	STL	OF	.338			
4.	Patrick Rafter	Australia	557	Florida	68	78	.466	10.5	Baltimore	55	89	.382	32.5	4	R Alomar	CLE	2B	.338	4	T Helton	COL	1B	.337			
5.	Juan Carlos Ferrero	Spain	552	Montreal	62	84	.425	16.5	Tampa Bay	51	94	.352	37	5	J Giambi	OAK	1B	.336	5	L Berkman	HOU	OF	.334			
6.	Yevgeny Kafelnikov	Russia	400	Central				Central				Home Runs (HR)					Home Runs (HR)									
7.	Pete Sampras	U.S.	363	Houston	86	59	.593	---	Cleveland	84	62	.575	---	Player	Team	POS	HR	Player	Team	POS	HR					
8.	Sebastien Grosjean	France	360	St. Louis	82	64	.562	4.5	Minnesota	77	69	.527	7	1	J Thome	CLE	1B	47	1	B Bonds	SF	OF	63			
9.	Tim Henman	England	352	Chicago	79	66	.545	7	Chicago	74	72	.507	10	2	A Rodriguez	TEX	SS	46	2	S Sosa	CHC	OF	54			
10.	Roger Federer	Switz.	324	Milwaukee	63	84	.429	24	Detroit	58	87	.400	25.5	3	R Palmeiro	TEX	1B	41	3	L Gonzalez	ARI	OF	52			
11.	Marat Safin	Russia	315	Cincinnati	59	87	.404	27.5	Kansas City	57	88	.393	26.5	4	M Ramirez	BOS	DH	40	4	S Green	LA	OF	46			
12.	Alex Corretja	Spain	303	Pittsburgh	55	91	.377	31.5	West				West				Runs Batted In (RBI)					Runs Batted In (RBI)				
13.	Goran Ivanisevic	Croatia	296	West				West				Player					Player									
14.	Arnaud Clement	France	293	Arizona	82	64	.562	---	Seattle	106	40	.726	---	1	J Gonzalez	CLE	OF	140	1	S Sosa	CHC	OF	141			
15.	Andy Roddick	U.S.	275	San Francisco	80	66	.548	2	Oakland	88	58	.603	18	2	B Boone	SEA	2B	129	2	T Helton	COL	1B	130			
				Los Angeles	78	68	.534	4	Anaheim	73	73	.500	33	3	A Rodriguez	TEX	SS	124	2	L Gonzalez	ARI	OF	128			
				San Diego	73	73	.500	9	Texas	67	79	.459	39	4	J Thome	CLE	1B	121	4	B Bonds	SF	OF	121			
				Colorado	64	81	.441	17.5	Wild Card Standings				Wild Card Standings				5 M Ramirez BOS DH 119					5 A Pujols STL OF 120				
				Wild Card Standings				Wild Card Standings				Runs (R)					Runs (R)									
				Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Team	W	L	Pct.	GB	Player	Team	POS	R	Player	Team	POS	R					
				St. Louis	82	64	.562	---	Oakland	88	58	.603	---	1	A Rodriguez	TEX	SS	125	1	S Sosa	CHC	OF	122			
				San Francisco	80	66	.548	2	Minnesota	77	69	.527	11	2	I Suzuki	SEA	OF	116	2	T Helton	COL	1B	120			
				Chicago	79	66	.545	2.5	Boston	73	70	.511	13.5	3	B Boone	SEA	2B	108	3	L Gonzalez	ARI	OF	116			
				Los Angeles	78	68	.534	4	Chicago	74	72	.507	14	4	Alomar	CLE	2B	105	4	C Floyd	FLA	OF	114			
				Philadelphia	78	68	.534	4	Anaheim	73	63	.500	15	5	D Jeter	NYN	SS	103	5	J Bagwell	HOU	1B	112			