

On Deck Behrend Athletic Events

Saturday

Women's Basketball Behrend
Tournament Consolation Game
1 p.m.

Championship Game
3 p.m.

Men's Basketball Behrend
Tournament vs. Medaille
8 p.m.

Sunday

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Tournament Consolation Game
1 p.m.

Championship Game
3 p.m.

Tuesday

Women's Basketball @ Bethany
6 p.m.

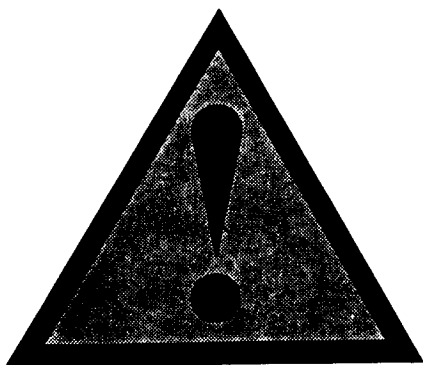
Men's & Women's Swimming &
Diving vs. Garriton
6 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Grove City
7:30 p.m.

Club Schedule

Sunday

Men's Hockey vs. Penn State West
7:45 p.m.



Attention all residence halls

Lawrence, Perry and Niagra Halls are invited to participate in a chance to win a pizza party for the entire hall. The competition is based on a point system. To earn points all those who live in these halls must attend selected men's and women's basketball games. Residents must sign in at the promotions table to receive credit.

The first of the selected games is tonight at 8 p.m. as the women kick off the Tip Off Tournament against Waynesburg.

Following this game will be:
Saturday, Nov. 22 @ 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 3 @ 6 p.m. & 8 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 10 @ 7:30 p.m.

The hall with the most percentage of individuals attending the men's and women's basketball games will win the pizza party. The grand prize will be awarded at the men's game on Dec. 10 during half time.

As an added bonus, each individual attending the games has an opportunity to receive promotional items which will be handed out at the door.

Men swimmers stay perfect, women fall

by Samantha Cibula
contributing writer

The men's swim team banked its second win against Fredonia University during Friday's dual meet. The men beat Fredonia 112-68 and Mercyhurst 119-29. Although the men beat both teams, Mercyhurst will not count towards the men's or women's win-loss record.

The men, who outnumbered Fredonia and

Theil posted wins for the team in the 200 yd. freestyle (1:53.59) and the 100 yd. freestyle (51.98).

Schleicher added wins in the distance events. Schleicher won the 1000 yd. freestyle with the time of 11:20.24 and the 500 yd. freestyle with the time of 5:30.21.

Behrend's lone diver, John Elletson, added points for the men with a second place in the one-meter diving competition.

The women fell short, losing to Fredonia 118-88, and tied Mercyhurst 83-83.

"Despite the loss, everyone swam strong and supported each other throughout the meet," said senior captain Sarah McGarvey.

The women's only winning races came in the 200 yd. medley relay and 50 yd. freestyle. Freshmen Cara Ludwig, Jacki Slagle and Brittany Yost and senior Sarah McGarvey swam the 200 yd. medley relay. Alison Jaskolski won the 50 yd. freestyle setting a new record with the time of 26.92.

The women once again went on a record breaking rampage setting records in the 50 yd. freestyle (Jaskolski), 100 yd. butterfly and 1,000 yd. freestyle. Freshman Whitney Marshall broke her own 100 yd. butterfly record with a time of 1:06.77 and freshman Alexis Puhala set a new

record in the 1000 yd freestyle with a time of 11:35.95.

"The men and women swam an exceptional meet for where they are in the season," said head coach Jen Slack. "They are swimming fast at a point in the season when their bodies are broken down. This is a sign that good things will come at the end season."

The men and women have this week off before hosting their first meet of the year against Division II Gannon on Tuesday.

"The meet against Gannon will give everyone on the team another chance to better their times, so they can have better seatings at Wooster Invitational December 4-6," said Slack.

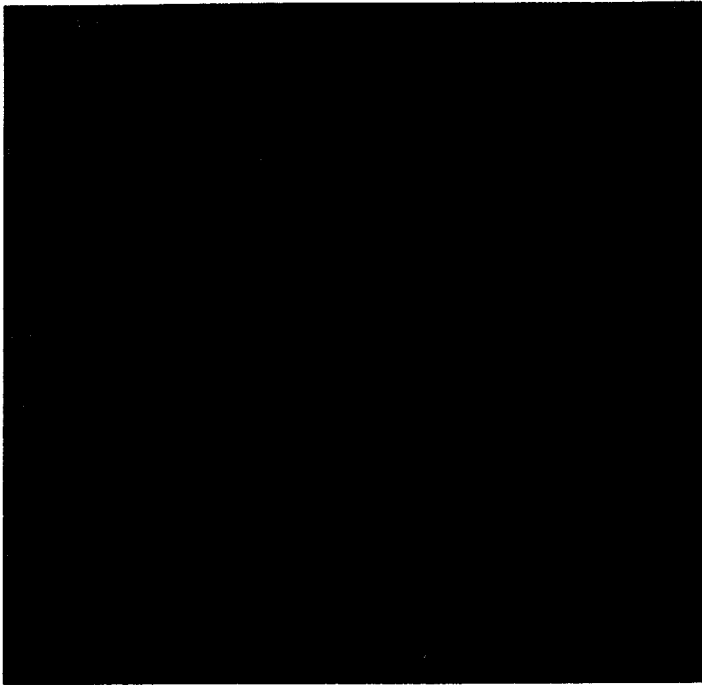


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So far this season the women's team is 1-1, while the men are perfect at 2-0.

Mercyhurst, started the meet with a win in the 200 yd. medley relay with the time of 1:56.89. From that race forward the men dominated the meet.

"We swam strong, winning almost every event," said junior captain Eric Philips

The men swam exhibition in the 200 yd. freestyle relay and 100 yd. breaststroke. These two events were they only events that did not receive first place points for the men because they decided to swim them exhibition.

Freshmen Kent Mckee and Brandon Theil and sophomore Steve Schleicher led the way for the men.

Mckee was part of the winning 200 yd. medley relay and also took home a win in the 100 yd. backstroke (1:02.06).

First ever spaghetti dinner benefits Behrend athletics

by Amy Frizzell
sports editor

On Sunday the Behrend Athletic Department held the first annual Spaghetti Dinner at Ricardo's Restaurant on East Lake Road. The dinner was held as a fundraiser for all athletic programs here at Behrend.

The idea came about when the women's basketball coach wanted to find a way to raise money for her team. This gave the athletic director Brian Streeter the idea for the spaghetti dinner to raise money for all Behrend sports.

Streeter then got together with Pete West, owner of Ricardos and longtime friend to the athletic department, to organize the fundraiser.

Each team was in charge of selling tickets and also donating its time and services for the night. Members of each team were required to work one hour, cooking meals, serving customers and also cleaning up, with Ricardos donating all the proceeds.

"It was tough to do sometimes cause it got pretty busy," said junior Ryan Deimel.

"Pete West has been a friend to the athletic department for a long time," said Streeter. "He was very impressed with our athletes and their manners."

Dinner was served anytime between noon and 6 p.m. that day. Meals consisted of bread, salad and

spaghetti with meatballs. Over 1,000 meals were served along with 30 to 40 take out meals.

"Six hours and not one plate was spilled. That's pretty amazing in the restaurant business," said Streeter.

Attendees also had the opportunity to participate in a Chinese auction. Overall 11 items were auctioned off, ranging from T-shirts from local restaurants and athletics, sports tickets to the Otters to gift certificates to local restaurants.

"So far only one item has not been claimed, I have to deliver it," said Streeter.

After six hours and 1,000 meals a total of \$5,400 was raised, with two teams selling over \$800 worth of tickets.

"It's a unique experience when you can help out the Behrend community and Ricardo, because he's the man," said Deimel.

"The night was very successful and will become an annual event," said Streeter. "Mr. West was very impressed and would like to work with us again." Street and Mr. West aren't the only ones looking forward to the annual event.

"I was unaware of what it was this year. All I knew was that it was a spaghetti dinner, so I'll definitely get out and sell more tickets next year," said freshman Garrett Grenek.

"Of course I'll work it again next year, it was cool, it helped out all the athletic teams," said Deimel.

TIP OFF

Reserve your tickets now! Reserve your tickets now!

<p>Women's Basketball Saturday, Nov. 22 @ 8 p.m.</p> <p>Men's Basketball Saturday, Nov. 22 vs. Medaille @ 8 p.m.</p>	<p>Women's Swimming Tuesday, Nov. 25 vs. Gannon @ 6 p.m.</p> <p>Men's Basketball Tuesday, Nov. 25 vs. Grove City @ 7:30 p.m.</p>
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Runners complete successful season

by Amy Hiles
staff writer

On Saturday Penn State Behrend's men's and women's cross country team competed in the NCAA Mideast regionals at Dickinson.

The women finished sixth out of 38 teams. Senior runner Jessica Knapp was the women's top runner. She finished 15th out of 264 with a time of 23:35.

"I am really proud of the team. We did an awesome job and we had a great season. We finished sixth in the region. It is to my understanding that that is the highest in Behrend history," said freshman runner Bethany Crooks.

"I am really proud of how much we improved at regionals this year and I was really glad to see all of my teammates and their placements at regionals," said senior runner Brandi Napenas.

The men finished 17 out of 35. Freshman Brad Ruffo was the top runner for the men, finishing 64th out of 249 with a time of 28:07.

"I thought we ran to the best of our ability. We didn't accomplish our goal but we did our best," stated Ruffo.

"We did pretty good. Our goal was 15th and we placed 17th out of 40 teams. There were about 260 runners in the race and we were very strong," said freshman runner, Ruben Smith.

Cross country had an outstanding season with three runners earning AMCC honors.

Knapp ran away with AMCC women's cross country runner of the year. Knapp lead the team all season, she finished first in five out of six invitationals for the Behrend Lions. She has also been named to the All-Conference team twice along with being AMCC runner of the week three times this season.

Freshman Leslie Gentile was named AMCC women's cross country newcomer of the year. She placed in the top three all season and consistently placed high at all invitationals.

Ruffo was also named newcomer of the year for the men. He placed first for the Lions at all seven invitationals this year.

Also named to AMCC All-Conference team were Smith, freshman Craig Davis, and junior Tim Schultheis. Crooks was also named to the team on the women's side.

There are high hopes that everyone will be returning next season with the exception to a few seniors. Knapp and Napenas will not be returning next year due to graduation.

"I am really going to miss cross country and I wish I could continue. However, I am really glad that I got to run with a good team my senior year," said Napenas.

Head coach Dave Cooper also received AMCC honors. Cooper received AMCC women's coach of the year. This is the second time he has been honored in the three years he has been at Behrend.

Start your engines

Greeks to race cardboard cutouts

Behrend Greeks will have the opportunity to be involved in men's and women's basketball games this year. During half time at selected games Greeks will be provided with corrugated cardboard race cars which they will race on a track set up in the gym.

Each Greek organization will be able to enter one team consisting of two drivers, one pit-person and one stand-by.

The competition will be based on a points system. After each race the first place team will earn the highest number of points, the second place team will earn the second highest amount of points, the third place team the third highest and so on.

Each first place team at the end of each race will receive a prize (TBD). At the end of the year the team with the most points will receive the Junker Cup Series Trophy.

Races will be held on:

- Dec. 3
- Dec. 9
- Dec. 12
- Jan. 17
- Jan. 24
- Jan. 26
- Feb. 4
- Feb. 11
- Feb. 21

