

SPORTS

This Week in Sports

NCAA Basketball

~Texas players **D.J. Augustin** and **A.J. Abrams** declared for the NBA draft on Wednesday, April 23.

Augustin, who averaged 19.2 points and 5.8 assists as a sophomore, has not hired an agent. That leaves him the option to change his mind before the June 26 draft, though there is no apparent indication that he would do so. Abrams has also not hired an agent.

NCAA Football

~Former Michigan offensive lineman **Justin Boren** has transferred to Big Ten rival Ohio State.

The sophomore left the Michigan program last month, saying its "family values have eroded" under new coach Rich Rodriguez. Boren says he's looking forward to helping the Buckeyes continue their excellence. Boren went to high school in the Columbus suburb of Pickerington.

Boren was one of two returning offensive linemen from last year's Michigan roster.

NFL

~The Tennessee Titans finally dealt troubled cornerback Adam "Pacman" Jones to the Dallas Cowboys for a fourth-round pick and a possible conditional draft pick.

Jones, who is still not reinstated by the NFL after being suspended for the 2007-2008 season, signed a four-year deal with the Cowboys.

NHL

~While their seasons have come to an end, **Nicklas Backstrom**, **Pat Kane** and **Jonathan Toews** have something to smile about. All three are the finalist for the Calder trophy for top rookie for the 2007-2008 season.

Both Kane and Toews, who play together for the Chicago Blackhawks, fed off each other, while Backstrom received help from Alexander Ovechkin. The winner will be named after season's end.

Men's lacrosse grab first NCLL title

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The Penn State Behrend men's lacrosse team clinched the 2008 NCLL Empire West Division Championship on Saturday, April 19, when they defeated Fredonia College 12-5.

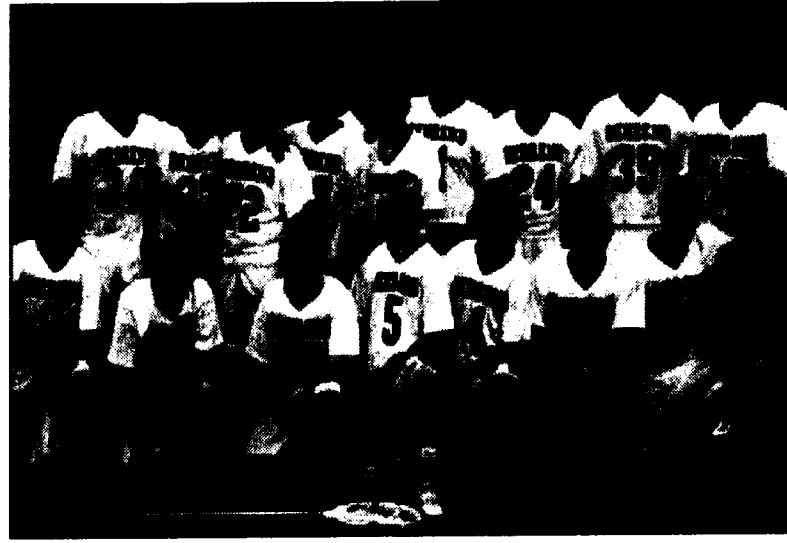
The lacrosse team is a club sport at Behrend and is part of the National Collegiate Lacrosse League (NCLL). Their season was short-lived, but busy, playing eight games in two weeks. Their first game was on Saturday, April 5, against Grove City where they lost by a score of 3-9. The following week the Blue and White had a hectic schedule, playing six games in two days. Beginning on Saturday, April 12, the men lost to John Carroll 10-4, followed by a victory over Youngstown State by a score of 11-4.

On Sunday, April 13 the men played an exhausting four games. Their first game against Rochester Institute of Technology tallied another on the victory list for Behrend as they defeated them in overtime 6-5. The next game was almost identical in results against

Canisius, however, this time it was the Lions losing in overtime 5-6, followed by a loss to Pitt-Johnstown 5-9. The men would finish off game four with a win over Fredonia College 6-5 in overtime again.

There's a hefty 15 players competing for time in the midfield position. Dan Forsyth, Rob Helm, Gary Cooper, Chris Groesch, Timmy McClelland, Derek Challingsworth, Jesse Curci, Wes Shaw, Andrew Heidt, Brad Alayon, Karl Hummel, Joey Williams, Louis Greci, Mike Fairbank, and long stick midfielder Sean McHugh all control the center of the field. Matt Ieraci, Justin Grumski, Jason Gledistich and Matt Grego all play defense, and goalie Jon Altman holds his ground in front of the net.

Because the lacrosse team is a club sport, the men have to come up with a lot of the funding for equipment and transportation on their own. In order to keep everything under control they have a President, Treasurer and Secretary who manage the team. Groesch is the men's president while Challingsworth is the treasurer and Byrne is the



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2007-2008 Penn State Behrend Men's Lacrosse Team

To round off their season, the men played their first home game against Fredonia and went on to defeat them 12-5 for the championship.

There are 23 players on the roster for men's lacrosse. Brian McGurgan, Peter Byrne and Matt Ogden hold down the attacking position.

secretary.

The men are a part of the Empire West Division in the National Collegiate Lacrosse League. Other teams that are in the league include Buffalo State, Canisius, Fredonia, Niagara, RIT and St. Bonaventure.

NFL Mock Draft

by Andrew McLachlan

1.) Miami	Jake Long	OL / Michigan
2.) St. Louis	Glenn Dorsey	DT / LSU
3.) Atlanta	Chris Long	DE / Virginia
4.) Oakland	Darren McFadden	RB / Arkansas
5.) Kansas City	Vernon Gholston	DE / Ohio St.
6.) N.Y. Jets	Jonathan Stewart	RB / Oregon
7.) New England	Leodis McKelvin	CB / Troy
8.) Baltimore	Matt Ryan	QB / Boston College
9.) Cincinnati	Derrick Harvey	DE / Florida
10.) New Orleans	Sedrick Ellis	DT / USC
11.) Buffalo	Devin Thomas	WR / Michigan St.
12.) Denver	Brandon Alberts	OL / Virginia
13.) Carolina	Ryan Clady	OL / Boise St.
14.) Chicago	Chris Williams	OL / Vanderbilt
15.) Detroit	Rashard Mendenhall	RB / Illinois
16.) Arizona	D. Rodgers-Cromartie	CB / Tennessee St.
17.) Minnesota	Calais Campbell	DE / Miami (FL)
18.) Houston	Keith Rivers	LB / USC
19.) Philadelphia	Jeff Otah	OL / Pittsburgh
20.) Tampa Bay	DeSean Jackson	WR / California
21.) Washington	Phillip Merling	DE / Clemson
22.) Dallas	Limas Sweed	WR / Texas
23.) Pittsburgh	Sam Baker	OL / USC
24.) Tennessee	James Hardy	WR / Indiana
25.) Seattle	Gosder Cherilus	OL / Boston College
26.) Jacksonville	Kentwan Balmer	DT / North Carolina
27.) San Diego	Mike Jenkins	CB / South Florida
28.) Dallas	Felix Jones	RB / Arkansas
29.) San Francisco	Malcom Kelly	WR / Oklahoma
30.) Green Bay	Brandon Flowers	CB / Virginia Tech
31.) N.Y. Giants	Kenny Phillips	S / Miami (FL)

Behrend baseball cruises to AMCC title

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Even though they suffered their first AMCC loss this season, Penn State Behrend continues to dominate their competition. After key victories over division foes La Roche and Frostburg, Behrend clinched their second AMCC title. Even with a title under their belt and with the last place team coming up on the schedule, Behrend would have to avoid a letdown in Hilbert.

In a double-header in Buffalo, Behrend kept their guard up and took care of

business. In game one, Behrend got the bats going early, leading to a 12-3 blowout.

Rebounding off a huge loss to their divisional rivals, Hilbert has high hopes to turn it around in game two. Unfortunately, Behrend had other plans for the friends up north. Thanks to superior pitching and big-time hitting, Behrend walked away with a 14-1 victory, making it a clean sweep against Hilbert.

Behrend Baseball finishes up AMCC action, when they travel to Medaille on Sunday, April 27.



NHL Predictions

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Pittsburgh vs. N.Y. Rangers



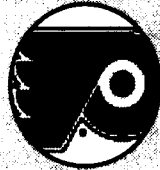
-Pens in 5



Montreal vs. Philadelphia



-Philly in 7



Detroit vs. Colorado



-Red Wings in 6



San Jose vs. Dallas



-Stars in 7



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