Tennis prepares for AMCC championships

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The Penn State Behrend women's tennis team had quite a bit of success this season taking a 13-4 overall record (9-1 in the conference) into the AMCC tournament this weekend at the

Oxford Club in Wexford, PA. The Lions, with all of their starters returning from last year, are tied for first at the top of the conference after falling to Frostburg State (4-5) early in the season marking their only conference loss.

Since that loss the team rebounded, going on an 11-1 run losing only to Grove City to finish out the season.

The team plays under head coach Jeff Barger, who is entering his twelfth year at the position.

Barger has led the ladies tennis team to seven AMCC titles in the last 10 years, including

four straight since 2004. "I feel very good about our chances. We are playing well right now," Barger said. "As long as we avoid any upsets we should be near the top. I give our doubles teams a good chance to win and all of our singles players should do well."

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The women's soccer team defeated conference opponent LaRoche by a score of 4-1. The Lions' goals were scored by four different players. Freshman Meredith Gipson scored one and had an assist. Another was scored by junior Jaclyn Stottlemyer, who gave Behrend a 2-1 lead after LaRoche tied it up. Just before half-time, Julia Schroek scored to give the Lions a 3-1 lead. Freshman Valerie Wagner scored the final goal of the game within the first minute of the second half to produce the final score of 4-1.

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The team is led by senior captains Christy Calvert and Karen Hobaugh.

was recently Hobaugh named the Enterprise Rent-A-Car athlete of the week for her performance in defeating D'Youville Frostburg State and Penn State Altoona last week.

Hobaugh is optimistic heading into the weekend.

"I'd like to think with confidence that we'll sweep away the victory this weekend,' Hobaugh said. "We won't leave the court until the title is won. Our competition is not easy; skill and attitude are key."

Hobaugh plans on making a run at the all-time record for career singles victory.

The former AMCC Newcomer of the Year and Behrend Rookie of the Year boasts a 42-6 singles record and is chasing Jamie Brubaker's record of 58-

The other captain, Christy Calvert, was slowed by injuries this season but still holds an impressive 33-11 career singles record.

Calvert, former Rookie of the Year as a freshman, showed more success playing doubles, holding a 33-11 record which ranks her fifth all time in



Daniel Smith/ The Behrend Beacon Hillary Lasher has a record of 15-2 in singles play this season.

Behrend history.

Calvert, Hobaugh and the other top six players are looking to take the individual medalist title in the fifth flight singles during the tournament.

The junior class has given Barger many options in the singles and doubles line-up keeping opponents off guard and guessing who they will be play-

Elissa Swartz, Erin Bliley and Hillary Lasher all started as juniors and will play a role in the team's performance in AMCC tournament.

Lasher was named all-conference in third doubles and fifth singles. She holds an impressive 15-2 singles record and 19-2 doubles record so far in her career and will be a player to watch this weekend.

The team has been practicing every day during this cold week preparing to repeat as AMCC champions.

"I believe we have worked all season long for this, and I have full confidence that we will win this year," junior Erin Bliley

AMCC Sports Standings MEN'S SOCCER

	AMCC	Pts	Overall	Strk
Medaille	6-0	18	12-2-1	W4
Penn St. Behrend	5-1	15	10-3-1	W3
LaRoche	5-1	15	7-6-1	Ll
Franciscan	5-2	15	7-5	L1
Penn St. Altoona	4-2	12	8-5-1	Wl
Pitt-Greensburg	2-4-1	7	3-10-1	L3
Frostburg State	2-3	6	6-6-1	Wl
D'Youville	2-5	6	2-12	Ll
Hilbert	1-5-1	4	1-13-1	L4
Pitt-Bradford	1-5	3	2-11	W1
Mount Aloysius	0-5	0	0-11	L11

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	AMCC	Pts	Overall	Strk
Penn St. Behrend	6-0-1	19	11-2-2	W6
La Roche	5-1	15	12-4	Ll
Frostburg State	5-1	15	11-3	Ll
Medaille	5-1	15	7-6-1	W3
Penn St. Altoona	3-2-1	10	10-3-1	W1
Pitt-Bradford	3-3	9	7-6	W4
Franciscan	3-4	9	4-8-1	L3
Hilbert	3-4	9	6-6-2	L3
Pitt-Greensburg	1-6	3	2-12	L5
D'Youville	1-6	3	3-9	L1
Mount Aloysius	0-5	0	0-13	L13

WOMEN'S TENNIS				
	AMCC	Overall	Strk	
Penn St. Behrend	9-1	13-4	W3	
Frostburg State	9-1	11-3	Wl	
Penn St. Altoona	6-4	6-4	Ll	
La Roche	2-8	2-7	W1	
Pitt-Bradford	2-8	2-13	W1	
D'Youville	1-9	2-10	L2	

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

	AMCC	Overall	Strk
Frostburg State	5-0	20-4	W1
Penn St. Behrend	5-1	15-6	Wl
Medaille	4-1	15-4	L2
Penn St. Altoona	4-1	11-10	W1
Pitt-Bradford	4-2	12-4	W1
Mount Aloysius	3-2	8-10	W2
D'Youville D'Youville	2-3	8-13	L2
Pitt-Greensburg	1-3	3-13	L1
Franciscan	1-5	8-11	L1
Hilbert	0-4	3-13	L1
La Roche	0-7	2-20	L7

Most recent sports results

Golf Oct. 12 at Pitt-Greensburg Invitational - 2/6

Men's Soccer

Oct. 10 at Pitt-Greensburg - Won 5-0. Oct. 13 v. Hilbert - Won 4-0.

Oct. 15 v. LaRoche - Won 6-0.

Women's Soccer Oct. 10 at Pitt-Greensburg - Won 4-0.

Oct. 13 v. Hilbert - Won 6-0.

Women's Tennis

Oct. 9 at Frostburg St. - Won 6-3 Oct. 10 at Penn St. Altoona - Won 9-0.

Women's Volleyball

Oct. 9 at Cortland Tournament v. Geneseo - Won 3-1.

Oct. 10 at Cortland Tournament v. CCNY - Won 3-1. Oct. 10 at Cortland Tournament v. Cortland - Lost 3-0.

Oct. 13 at D'Youville - Won 3-0.

Men's Water Polo

Oct. 10 v. Salem - Won 12-5.

Oct. 10 v. Mercyhurst - Lost 21-11. Oct. 11 v Gannon - Lost 19-10.

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Baltimore @ Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota
N.Y. Giants (a New Orleans	New Orleans	New Orleans	New Orleans	New Orleans	New Orleans	N.Y. Giants
Cleveland @ Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh
Chicago @ Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta	Chicago	Atlanta	Atlanta
NCAA						
#20 Oklahoma @ #2 Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas
Minnesota @ #14 Penn St.	Penn St.	Penn St.	Penn St.	Penn St.	Penn St.	Penn St.
NHL						
Tampa Bay @ Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Penn St.	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh
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Season Totals:	34-16	36-14	36-14	38-12	28-22	35-15

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