## Bolea earns all AMCC conference first team honors

Sports editor

Two games, zero goals in regulation, 13 saves and two stops on penalty kicks earned junior mechanical engineer major Chris Bolea the Enterprise Rent-A-Car Athlete of the Week.

In the two AMCC soccer games played last week, Bolea shut out La Roche making all four saves in the 5-0 win and took Medaille into penalty kicks after making nine saves in regulation and over-

Bolea has already been recognized for his efforts in goal this year as he has been named the first team all

AMCC player of the week earlier in the year.

Also, as of Friday in a press release from the AMCC, Bolea has been named to the 2010 All-AMCC first team. There was no one better than Bolea in the conference this year as he led the league in three statistical categories; shut outs, with four goals against average with a .45, and save percentage with a .857.

Bolea and his team were part of a historical year for the Behrend soccer team as they went 14-3-4 on the season and were also undefeated in conference play for the first time in school history.

The 5'11" 185lbs. athlete

ALEC ITALIANO conference and also named was originally playing for ers, Bolea has definitely made Penn State Altoona before transferring to Behrend last

> Bolea is originally from Ambridge, Pa however, and attended Ambridge high school where he played soccer and football for his high school. Bolea showed promise on the gridiron for his hometown high schools too as he was the kicker and was named first team all conference as a senior as well for football.

Soccer as always been the main sport for Bolea as he has been playing all his life. Whether it was for his high school, a club team, or even just coaching younger playsoccer a passion for himself and the players around him as success seems to follow this young, prominent player.

Being a mechanical engineer major, it is an extremely daunting task to juggle both his studies and participate in a sport that requires so much of his time and focus. Not many student-athletes can handle the task and be successful in both areas especially as he gets closer to graduating.

"It is difficult to do both soccer and engineering, especially this year since I am taking more in depth classes pertaining to my major," said Bolea.

A product of Head Coach

coach John Parente, Bolea will surely be looked to for guidance and leadership next season. He will step into the veteran roll between the iron. Parente was Bolea's previous coach at Altoona and has just recently joined the coaching staff here at Behrend after a successful 106-60-16 career at Altoona.

"I would like to thank my parents, brother and family for attending so many games throughout my playing career," said Bolea. "And I'd like to thank both coach Perritano and coach Parente for giving me the chance to continue playing soccer."

Bolea will continue to look

Dan Perritano and assistant for improvement during the 2011 season with the Behrend Lions' as the team is wrapping up their postseason in ECAC play this upcoming week.



Bolea had 13 saves in the AMCC playoff games.

**PSU FOOTBALL** 

## Lions handed a tough loss at the Horseshoe

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On an unusual Nov Sat night in Columbus, OH, Ohio State cornerback Devon Torrence picked off a Matt McGloin pass and raced it back 34 yards for the go ahead touchdown in the Buckeyes 38-14 win over Penn

If games were only half as long, Penn State would have won only it's second game in Ohio State. Unfortunately for Penn State the second half spoiled their bid for any upset.

Taking a 14-3 lead into the lockeroom, it looked as if the Nittany Lions were going to shock the college football world and eliminate another Big Ten team from the championship hunt.

A few hours before kickoff,

from-behind win to knock Iowa out of the running for a Big Ten cham-

Matt McGloin was firing on all cylinders, and the defense was holding the dangerous Terrell Pryor in check. McGloin had thrown touchdown passes to Justin Brown and Derrick Moye, and the running game was keeping drives alive.

The Horseshoe, ranked as one of the toughest places to play, was dead silent. The Buckeyes had never mounted a comeback as big as 11 points in Jim Tressel's career at home. That was about to change from the second half kickoff.

For Penn State fans it was a second half all too familiar with the play calling with a lead. The first half was full of quick passes, or play action deep balls that weren't al-



weren't taking their foot off the pedal. Vise versa, the second half was full of quick three and outs, with at least two run plays in each series.

On top of that the Lions were down Evan Royster, who left the game with an apparent knee injury, and backup Stephfon Green was carted off the field after a kick-

Ohio State brought more blitzes and clogged up the running lanes, but Penn State refused to take shots down the field.

In result Matt McGloin was left to quick dump off passes, and Torrence's pick six in the third quarter swung momentum and brought the Ohio State faithful back to life.

Defensively some injuries kept big players out of the ballgame, and they were just being worn down. Linebacker Michael Mauti, who was Big Ten player of the week last week, separated his shoulder and missed the entire second half. The Buckeyes had all luck on their side, as Pryor through a ball up for grabs in the endzone, just to have it bounce of the hands of two Penn State defenders into the hands of wide receiver Dane Sanzenbacher. The Buckeyes added two more

scores with another pick six late in the fourth, along with a short pass from Pryor to tight end Jake Stoneburner to seal the scoring.

Matt McGloin said postgame, "We just have to take the positive of knowing what we are capable of doing each game and prepare know for Indiana."

Penn State will take on an Indiana team that has been very competitive the past few weeks in Washington, D.C. this Saturday. The game will take place at Fedex Field and is scheduled for a noon kickoff.

This game is once again crucial in deciding what bowl game bid Penn State will receive.

The Lions still can finish 8-4, with a win against Michigan State at Beaver Stadium for the season finale in two weeks.



