

# Men End With Thrillers

by John Blimmel  
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The Behrend Cubs basketball campaign is over. Coach Leon Wright's team finished with a 5-15 record on the year. Behrend was involved in some thrillers in the last few weeks of the season, including an overtime game against Grove City, but unfortunately, most ended with the Cubs on the short end of the score. One of the big reasons for the team's losses has been a lack of consistency at the free throw line. They hit less than 50 per cent in recent losses to Houghton and Geneva Colleges.

The team's last win was January 21 against Medaille College, when they poured in an

amazing 79 points in the second half enroute to a 135-103 win. Six players scored in double figures, led by Bernard Orr, who had an outstanding game with 30 points, 7 assists, and 7 steals. Ron Williams hit for 27 points, Kirk Farbacher with 18, Greg Vaughan—16, Shep Robinson—11, and Mike Powell, 10 points. Behrend shot from 55 per cent from the floor that night. Preceding the win against Medaille were losses to Indiana (PA), and Geneva. Behrend had two games cancelled due to the bad weather, against the PSU-Capitol campus team and York College. Last month Behrend played three games, losing all three, beginning with the 73-70 overtime loss to Grove City at home. Ron

Williams, Bernard Orr and James Carr were the high scorers. Behrend then lost to California State, 92-82. The Cubs outshot Cal. state 36-31 from the field but were hurt by only 10 free throws made compared to 30 for the California team. Finally, Behrend was defeated by Houghton College, 102-95. Kirk Farbacher had a good game with 31 points and 16 rebounds.

Coach Wright has announced that this would be his last season as coach of the team. He has done well in his two years at Behrend, and we wish him well in whatever he does. An interview with Coach Wright about the team's season will be in the next issue of the Collegian.

# Some Fine Performances

by Our Mystery Writer

The Behrend College wrestling team ended the 1977-78 season with a 5-14 record, winning their last two matches against Case Western and Grove City. While the team had hoped to do better, there were some fine individual performances.

Shawn Phaneuf compiled the best record for the season, 10-7-1, among the wrestlers. He tied with Dan Johnson for most wins (10), and Phaneuf and Dana Gorton led the team in most consecutive matches without a loss (6).

Johnson, in addition to his ten wins, also scored the most points (53) and recorded the highest number of pins (6). Gorton, who grew stronger as the season progressed, had the longest winning streak (6) and most consecutive pins (3).

This year's team was a young one, comprised of only one junior and the rest freshmen and sophomores. Hopefully some will return next year to give Behrend a stronger team. Below are the individual wrestling statistics and team record for the year.

# Season Over

by Robin Baulding  
Staff Writer

Women's basketball at Behrend had a disappointing finish, but the team definitely left their mark on the Behrend record book.

The lady Cubs experienced an exciting five game winning streak during mid-season, defeating Women's Keystone Conference foes Mercyhurst, Allegheny, Westminster, Thiel and Villa Maria. The team rejoiced in watching all their hard work finally pay-off.

"We played to our potential and stayed out of foul trouble for the most part," said Coach Amy Atkinson. "Melinda (Patterson) lived up to her nickname of "Steamroller" by rolling up the points, while Cheryl (Ramsdell) controlled the rebounds. Sharon (Vinston), as usual, was always a terror defensively and Suzie

(Deck) came through with many crucial lay-ups off our fast break."

When asked if lack of depth hurt her team, Amy replied, "Not as much as it could have. By the middle of the season, my bench was playing better than I had expected. They were consistent and made up for any lack of skill by using their heads and playing smart basketball. I was very proud of how far we'd come this season."

Behrend lost its last five ball games to give the team a 5-9 overall mark. Yet optimistically, the coach noted that in three of those last five games, the Cubs lost by less than seven points. "If you believe in the theory that the home team has a 5-7 point advantage, then we just as easily could have won three of those last five games because they were all played on the opponent's courts." Amy smiled and added that she

devoutly believed in this theory.

Statistically, freshmen Melinda Patterson and Cheryl Ramsdell led the lady Cubs. Mel shot 51 per cent, scoring 15.3 points per game while hauling in an average of 14 rebounds, and Cheryl shot 41 per cent from the floor with 18 caroms per contest. Sophomore captain Sharon Vinston had 12.7 points per game along with an average of seven steals, and she led the team in foul shooting with 60 per cent accuracy. Sue Deck and Cheryl Ramsdell also did well from the charity stripe, shooting 57 per cent. Assists were not officially kept, but Coach Atkinson says Suzie Deck and Sharon Vinston led the team without a doubt.

"Obviously, I wish our record had been better, but all in all I'm pleased with how things turned out. We were always cohesive, if not victorious, and I can honestly say I enjoyed all aspects of coaching basketball here at Behrend."

## Individual Wrestling Records 1977-1978

Name	Wt.	Class	Won	Loss	Tied	Pins	Points
Shawn Phaneuf	126	So.	10	7	2	3	52
Tom Schriefer	126	So.	1	1	0	0	3
Charles Stevens	134	Fr.	4	14	1	1	23
Mike Antolik	142	So.	3	14	1	1	16
Dana Gorton	150	Fr.	9	10	0	5	42
Pat Sedlak	158	Fr.	0	2	0	0	0
Dan Johnson	167	So.	10	8	1	6	53
Tim King*	177	So.	8	10	0	3	39
Dave Horvath	177	Fr.	0	2	0	0	0
Mike O'Leary	190	So.	5	13	0	0	22
Bill Powers	Hwt.	Jr.	8	8	-3	1	48

### Team Record 5-14

Behrend	Opponent	Score
12	Pitt-Johnstown 30	2
12	Wash.-Jefferson 24	9
28	Malone 12	2
12	California St. 33	18
18	Thiel 27	7
14	R.I.T. 29	15
14	Allegheny 32	22
6	Mount Union 30	27
22	Marietta 21	27
31	Wooster 15	27

Indiana (Pa.) 50
Wash.-Jefferson 34
Edinboro 45
Grove City 29
Univ. of Buffalo 41
Waynesburg 27
Thiel 25
Case Western 23
Grove City 22

# Racquetmen Get Ready

The Behrend College men's tennis team will open its season on March 31 against Allegheny, who beat Behrend last year by a score of 6-3. Behrend, not about to be beaten by the elements, will host the match at the Billie Jean King Tennis Center at 3 p.m. If, by some miracle, the winds are calm, the match will be played on the Behrend Courts.

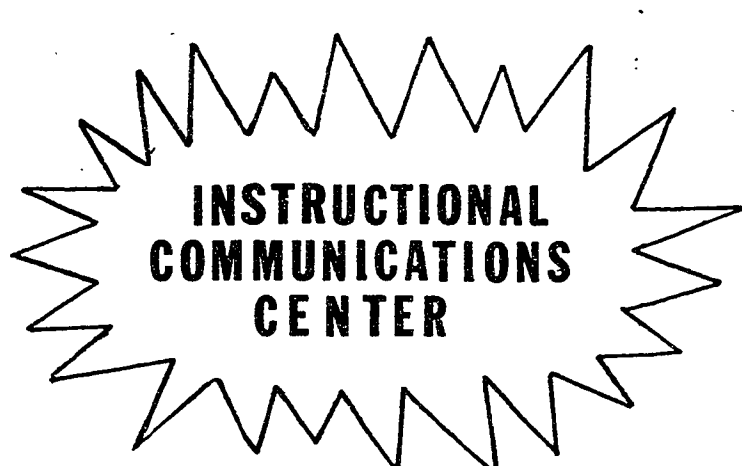
Behrend will play 13 matches this year, 6 at home and 7 away. In addition Behrend will host the District 18 tennis tournament on May 11 and 12.

The team has high hopes of improving its 4-6 record in dual meets last year. Four lettermen from last year have returned to play this year. They are junior

Jim Weidner and sophomores John Meyers, Kevin Lenze, and Jebb Black. Three lettermen from previous years, junior Steve Pappas and sophomores Dave Remmer and Dave Mooney, add depth to the team. First year players who should also help the team include sophomore John Kline and freshmen Greg Dale, Matt Sawyer, and Bill O'Brien.

Meyers, Pappas, and Weidner have all played at the number one position for Behrend in the past, and the team this year should be one of the strongest that Behrend has fielded. Anyone who can come to the matches will see some fine tennis, and the team appreciates whatever support we can give them.

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