

Lady Cubs Break Even

By Cyndi Warwick

The Lady Cubs opened up the January 1982 season with a tough loss to P.S.U. Shenango, but came back this weekend to beat Daemen. The Cubs, now 4-5, were down by 10 at halftime against Shenango, but cut that lead down to 3 midway through the second half. The Cubs fell short though, with a 72-61 loss to a young run-and-gun Shenango team.

Behrend tried to keep up with them, but couldn't get it together until the second half.

High scorers for Behrend were Mindy Stasenko with 14 and Diane Metzger, also with 14. Top rebounders were Mindy with 8, Molly Heidecker and Natalie Kuhn with 7.

The second game of the season, which they won 81-57 against Daemen, was superb.

After a long two hour ride to Buffalo, the Lady Cubs bounced

out of the bus and on to the court with fire, scoring from everywhere against an overmatched Daemen team.

High scorers for that game were Diane Metzger with 16, Missy Stasenko with 14, and Mindy Stasenko with 13. Top rebounders were Natalie Kuhn with 10, Kathy Ott with 8 and Molly Heidecker with 7.

Over break, the girls split a tournament in Ohio. The first game they lost by 5 points, 66-61, but came back the next day to win, 63-53. High scorers for the first game were Diane Metzger with 17 and Missy Stasenko with 15. The second game, Mindy Stasenko had 21 points, Natalie Kuhn had 13, and Missy Stasenko had 11.

Behrend's next game is against Thiel, on the 18th. Hope to see you all there to help support the Lady Cubs.

Lauffer Assumes Director Post

By Ron Leonard

Behrend's athletic program is now under the direction of new athletic director Herb Lauffer, who was selected over Christmas break.

Mr. Lauffer, currently in his fourteenth year at Behrend, graduated from Slippery Rock College and received his master of science degree in physical education from West Virginia State University.

In attempting to upgrade the current status of Behrend's athletic program, Mr. Lauffer has set forth a number of goals he would like to achieve. "I would like to become more involved in fundraising," he said. "We are going to continue to play the best competition that we possibly can in all our sports."

One of the top priorities facing the athletic director is filling the

position of baseball coach.

The position was left vacant this past summer when Clarence "Shorty" Stoner left Behrend to take over the coaching duties down in Happy Valley.

As of this writing, Mr. Lauffer had not yet interviewed anyone concerning the position but he had spoken with a few candidates over Christmas break. "I plan to have a new baseball coach by the end of January," said Lauffer.

As far as future plans are concerned, a committee is currently looking into the possibility of constructing some type of campus center. "This does not mean that there will be ground breaking ceremonies by summer and a new campus center constructed by next winter," said Lauffer.

In 1972, Behrend College was very close to building a new center. Penn State considered the construction of it as a "top priori-

ty." This fell through when funds for the construction were cut. Lauffer said that he hopes that we can get another chance to build a new center in the near future.

IM Shorts

Winners of the three man basketball competition were the Proteins: Kirk Binder, Kevin Moore, Dave Adams, and Denny Walsh. The second place team was Roll-over.

IM Bowling has been cancelled.

IM Wrestling will begin February 2.

A schedule will be posted in Erie Hall stating free gym space. Due to a lack of free space students are urged to participate in intramurals.

Female commuters who are interested in serving on the IM council should get in touch with Duane Crider in Erie Hall as soon as possible.



Cubs Record Slips With Recent Losses

By Joe O'Keefe

Collegian Sportswriter

Behrend College's Cubs fell to 2-8 after a 57-67 loss to LaRoche College of Pittsburgh on Thursday night at Erie Hall, despite a 26-point effort from center Don Vaughn.

In the first half, the lead changed hands several times, as Behrend matched shots with the Runnin' Red Devils. The Cubs trailed LaRoche, 28-29, at the half.

Poor shooting and a slew of turnovers plagued the Cubs' offense. Hitting on only 31 per cent of its shots from the field, the Cubs couldn't match the productive scoring that benefited LaRoche.

Nor could they connect from the free throw line. Behrend was good on only 46 per cent at the charity stripe, including an abysmal 22 per cent for the first half.

The turnovers hurt the Cubs the most. Behrend lost the ball 28 times to LaRoche, who managed to score in key situations.

Though Don Vaughn contributed 26 markers for the contest, and "Shep" Robinson, 16, it wasn't quite enough as four Red Devils all scored in double digits. Jerry Cassoli and Bob Klocek paced the LaRoche attack with 12 points each, while Jeff Anderson and Carl Epperson added ten markers apiece.

Any chance of a Behrend comeback was eliminated when Shawn Thamert fouled out mid-

way through the second period. LaRoche capitalized, scoring in an unanswered succession several times. Later Robinson and Ty Vaughn were forced to leave the game with fouls.

Behrend eventually wound on the short end, 47-57.

Coach Jim Sims reflected on the loss to LaRoche.

"Thursday night, our guards couldn't control the game. They (LaRoche) pressed us real well and we couldn't respond.

"We did get the ball to our inside scorers, but overall we lost the ball too many times."

CUBS DROP SQUEAKER TO WAYNEBURG

Behrend also fell victim to Waynesburg State College on December 19, narrowly missing a victory, 48-49.

At the Cubs' second "home" game played at the Gannon Hammill Center, Behrend was plagued once again by poor shooting and several turnovers.

The Cubs shot only 36 per cent from the field in the Waynesburg match and lost the ball on 22 occasions.

Still, they did defend Waynesburg well. Holding their opponents to a mere 28 field goal percentage, Behrend took a 25-22 advantage at the half. Don Vaughn also blocked six Waynesburg shots.

Waynesburg later rallied in the second period to edge out the Cubs by one.

Although Behrend sports a los-

ing record, they can still rely on their big scorer, Don Vaughn, for a productive game. After ten games, Don is averaging almost 21 points an outing to lead not only his team, but all scorers in the Big Five.

Don is also the leading rebounder in every one of Behrend's contests; he collects more than 14 caroms a game.

Adding support are forwards Tom Blythe and the newest member of the Cubs, Robinson. Both contribute 15 and 12 tallies per outing, respectively.

Also, both can grab the rebound. Blythe gathers almost six a game, while Robinson collected 13 in the LaRoche game on Thursday.

Behrend suffered a poor start last season, but still managed to finish at 18-10, good enough for a Big Five championship and a berth in the N.A.I.A. playoffs.

Blythe feels his teammates can do the same in 1982 with a quick turn around.

"We started off badly because we haven't blended together yet. We've beaten ourselves with turnovers and all. Also, we're still learning about each other and how we can contribute.

"It (the bad start) was the same as last year. It was a matter of players learning where they could perform best.

"If we cut down the turnovers and start shooting better, we should turn the season around, and we'll be okay."

Editor's Note: The Cubs upped their record to 3-8 with a 72-70 win over Daemen last Saturday. Robinson led all scorers with 16 points while Blythe followed with 14 and Ty Vaughn had 12.

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