

# Intramural Activities For Fall '83

by Duane Crider

This year's beautiful fall weather contributed to the success of this semester's major intramural outdoor season. The number of teams entered in slow pitch softball (27) made it apparent that the season change from spring to fall did not detract from the activity. The weather was better, and the fields were in better condition.

The total number of participants in slow pitch softball reached 340 individuals. There were many outstanding teams, but the two men's teams that made it into the finals, were the Stars and the Icemen. After seven innings of play, the Icemen emerged with a 7-6 victory. The women's league was dominated by one lone team;

Devil's Devils. They accumulated overwhelming victories such as their final playoff game over the Rookies by the score of 26-2.

In flag-football however, the Devils were not to have it so easy. They eventually won this championship too, but not without a close final with the Greyhound Express, final score in that game was 7-0.

While the Devils were looking ahead to their soccer championship, the men's flag-football playoffs were beginning. The six teams present for the playoffs were the Icemen, Units, B.C. 69ers, TANG, Stoneheads, and Gnats. The B.C. 69ers eliminated the Units, as TANG was edged out by the Stoneheads. In the game that followed, the Icemen defeated the B.C. 69ers and pro-

ceeded to meet the Stoneheads after their victory over the Gnats. The final game was a tug-of-war between two very fine offensive teams. The final score of the game came from the Icemen with no time on the clock. The ball went through the arms of a defender and was caught in the endzone bringing the Icemen to their second I.M. Championship. The final score was Icemen 30, Stoneheads 25.

Soccer season came late to Behrend Intramurals, but even late, the participation was very good. The women's teams were few in number, one team dropping out before the season was begun. The winning team was chosen through head to head competition. Once again, the Devils emerged the champions and the very skillful V.E.D.S. had to settle for second place. The women who participated were a credit to women's intramurals. Their season would have been much longer and more enjoyable to all participants had the one team not dropped out. The women on campus and off should be encouraged to participate regularly in all activities. Experience on high school teams is not a prerequisite for competition.

The men's soccer league was comprised of eight teams, each possessing a few individuals who were highly skilled. Of these eight, however, four made the playoffs. These teams were the Icemen, Zska Sofia, The Hurin Units, and the Kamikazi's.

Scores were very close in these final games. The championship game was played during a noon-time snow shower. The outcome did not require a shoot-out as many of the past games have.

# A Good Show!!

by Joel Campbell  
Sports Editor

Baseball lovers got the dream of their lives when NBC ran its newest show entitled Bay City Blues. The show deals with the operations, management, and personal lives of an AA minor league baseball team. The show airs at 10 p.m. on Tuesdays.

NBC paid 13 million dollars for 13 shows before even selecting a cast or seeing a preview. The station also built a 1000 plus seat stadium for the show to be filmed in, that only cost 500,000 dollars.

The show was created by the writers of Hill Street Blues and shares many of the characteristics of the latter. Like Hill Street, at the very beginning, the show is doing poorly in the television ratings; but the producers expect that to change once the public becomes familiar with the type of show and storyline.

The strong point of the show is its realism. The producers studied the environment and lives involved in a minor league franchise for a year. This type of research has helped inform the public of the life a minor league team actually experiences.

When the cast was assembled, the majority of the people had never played baseball past the high school level. Because of this, the cast was put through an extensive training program to prepare them for the show. Included in the cast is the owner of the team, who owns a used car dealership. The personality of the manager is that of Joe Torre, who manages the Atlanta Braves. The team also sports a pretty good Blue Bird mascot.

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The story line includes a ballplayer who wets the bed, an alcoholic, a manager searching for true love, an over-the-hill ballplayer who is hanging on to that last hope, and many more too numerous to mention.

If you're an avid baseball fan, or just someone looking for better programming than the Love Boat or Fantasy Island, check it out. It's worth the effort of tuning in.

# Bowl Games Ride On PSU-Pitt Game

by Tom Miller

Well, it's getting to be that time of the year again, when you can feel your emotions start to erupt for the upcoming Penn State - Pitt football game.

Both teams need an impressive win in order to get a decent bowl bid. Penn State, coming off a win over Brown this past weekend, improved their record to 6-4 with two games remaining on their schedule. This win made it possible for Penn State to achieve its 45th consecutive winning season. Pitt, on the other hand, was just as impressive with a victory over Notre Dame. Penn State will play Notre Dame this coming weekend. This game will be very crucial for the Lions, because a loss will ruin their chances for a bowl bid. Pitt's next encounter will be Army. In my opinion, this game should be an easy victory for Pitt. Looking at the Penn State - Pitt game from a basis of

who they beat, I would have to go with Penn State because they upset two of the top ten teams in the nation. Looking at who will be favored to win the game, I would have to say Pitt, because they are currently ranked among the top twenty teams in the nation.


The Lions and Panthers will be out to win, that's for sure, but who to pick to win is up for grabs. I'll leave it up to you.

If you plan on going to the game and don't have a ticket, the game is already sold out and won't be televised locally. Some alumni of the universities that I've talked to, have come up with an alternative on how to see the game. These alumni plan on traveling to Pittsburgh and renting a motel room so they can watch the game on a local Pittsburgh station from their room. Now that is what I call a devoted fan!

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