

# SPORTS

## Olympics Games Blemished by Scandal

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Two weeks of glorious yet bizarre Olympic games are over but the controversy they produced still carries on.

In the highly publicized 100-meter scandal, gold medalist and world record holder Ben Johnson, of Canada, was stripped of his medal after testing positive for use of anabolic steroids. As a result, American Carl Lewis was promoted to gold (thus defending his '84 gold), Britain's Lynford Christie was awarded the silver, and American fourth place finisher Calvin Smith received the bronze.

On the last day of competition, the controversy heated up once again. In the light middleweight gold medal fight, the judges were rumored to have given in to the intimidation of a large Korean audience when they awarded Korean boxer Park Si-hun the decision over American Roy Jones. Jones, who decisively won by punches landed, simply covered his face with a towel and walked away. Although many believed this to be the result of Jones' unpopularity with the Olympic audience, the majority believe that Jones deserved gold. The U.S. team called the decision an "injustice." Korean officials called it "an embarrassment."

Aside from the controversy, American athletes produced 94 medals; 36 gold. The U.S. finished third in the final medal standings behind East Germany and the U.S.S.R., drastically improving on the disappointing medal count at the winter games in Calgary.

In track and field, Americans claimed gold in record-setting fashion. In the women's 200 meter, Florence Griffith-Joyner combined beauty and speed to easily claim the gold in a world record time of 21.33. In the men's 200 meter, young Joe DeLoach blazed a new American record 20.75 to dethrone Carl Lewis, who got the silver with a time of 20.79.

Roger Kingdom ruled the 110

meter high hurdles with an Olympic record 12.98, becoming the first hurdler in 28 years to successfully defend his gold medal. (Lee Calloun of the U.S. did it in '56 and '60). Teammate Tonie Campbell finished with the bronze.

Following the surprise silver medal jump of Hollis Conway in the men's high jump, Louise Ritter shocked the field in the women's high jump with an Olympic record of 6 feet-8 inches to win the gold.

Other individual medalists were Kim Gallagher with a bronze in the 800 meter, Jackie Joyner-Kersey with her second gold of the games in the long jump, and Randy Barnes with a silver in the shot put.

The U.S. men posted some

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impressive sweeps on the track and in the field. In the 400 meter, premier quarter-mile runners Steve Lewis, Butch Reynolds and Danny Everett out sprinted the competition. Lewis, a 19 year-old sophomore at UCLA, was the upset winner over world record holder Butch Reynolds with a sizzling time of 43.87 to Reynolds' 43.92. Everett captured the bronze in 44.08. Carl Lewis, Mike Powell and Larry Myricks dominated the long jump for a sweep as well. Lewis' winning jump stretched 28 feet-7 inches.

Three U.S. relay squads medaled while one was disqualified. The men's 4 x 100 meter took an early exit when third leg Calvin Smith

handed anchorman Lee McNeil the baton three inches past the exchange line. The women's 4 x 100 meter had a happier ending as Evelyn Ashford came from behind with a roaring anchor to edge out East Germany in a time of 41.98. Ashford's gold medal running mates were Alice Brown, Sheila Echols and Florence Griffith-Joyner.

The women's 4 x 400 meter relay of Denean Howard, Diane Dixon, Valerie Brisco-Hooks, and Florence Griffith-Joyner clocked a time of 3:15.51 to take the silver. The men's 4 x 400 meter baton unit with speedsters Everett, Lewis, Kevin Robinzine and Reynolds tied an Olympic record with a scorching 2:56.16, four seconds better than second place Jamaica.

The boxing team claimed eight medals. Andrew Maynard, Kennedy McKinney and Ray Mercer each boxed to gold. On the mats, five wrestlers medaled, Oklahoma State's John Smith and Kenny Monday scored victories over Soviet opponents, 4-0 and 5-2 in overtime, to win gold. Erie's Nate Carr wrestled to the bronze.

Several U.S. teams finished at the top of the pack as well. The baseball squad won "demonstration" gold in the inaugural appearance of the sport. The men's volleyball team came from behind against the U.S.S.R. to take the final two sets and the gold. The women's basketball team defeated Yugoslavia for a thrilling gold, while the water polo team lost to Yugoslavia to take silver. Another silver came from the ever-accurate archery squad. For men's basketball, it was a disappointing bronze after a 92-86 semifinal loss to U.S.S.R.

The '88 summer games will be well remembered for its hectic moments as well as its golden ones. Seoul has already been acclaimed as providing the best Olympic facilities ever. For some Olympic athletes, this is a time to reflect on Olympic memories; for many others, it will soon be time to train four more years for the 1992 summer games in Barcelona.

## Rick Demski - A Team Player

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Sophomore Rick Demski is ready to return to Erie Hall as a starting forward for the Lions' basketball team.

A native of the Erie area, Demski attended Cathedral Prep High School. An All-Metro and All-City player his senior year, Demski helped his team to the PIAA play-offs. While at Cathedral, Demski learned the basics from Head Coach Dave Wenrick. "Coach Wenrick taught me to be an all around player," recalls Demski, "he especially helped me with my defensive skills."

Heavily recruited by Lions' Coach Doug Zimmerman, Demski chose Behrend over a number of quality universities. The 6-foot 6-inch, 200-pound Business Major is happy with his choice of schools. "Coach Zimmerman," offered Demski, "really helped me define my playing skills making me a better basketball player."

Demski started playing for the Lions around the fourth or fifth game of the season last year. Given the chance to prove himself, Demski used his ability to run the ball and shoot from the perimeter, as well as playing solidly inside, to win himself a starting role. Throughout the rest of the season he averaged 13-points and 7-rebounds a game.

Demski describes this year's team as being "smaller but quicker," with a good mix of freshmen and returning players. He has no personal goals for the season, hoping only for team success. "I would like us to finish better than .500 this year," Demski stated, "a mark we just missed achieving last season."



## Behrend Scoreboard

The Lady Lions' volleyball team took on Westminster and Grove City at Westminster on Oct. 1. They were swept, 15-3 - 15-4, by Westminster and 15-9 - 15-12, by Grove City.

On the 4th, the Lady Spikers traveled to Canisius where they won four straight. They defeated Canisius 15-12 - 15-6, and D'Youville 15-13 - 15-7.

The Lady Lions' overall record now stands at 6-14.

The Behrend Lions' baseball team held their third annual 100-inning fund raising game on Oct. 2.

This year the rookies defeated the veterans, 12-10. Chris Kolivoski led the rookies with 11 hits, two home runs and four RBIs.

The game raised a record, \$2,600 which will go towards their spring break trip to Florida. They are scheduled to play six games at the Kansas City Royals facilities at Boardwalk and Baseball.

Behrend athletics has named Mike Bari assistant women's basketball coach under first year Head Coach Jenepher Banker.

Bari, also the Lions' head baseball coach, is in his third year as a member of the Physical Education department.

## Lions' Soccer Action Reaches Fever Pitch

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Intense soccer action converged once again September 28 when Behrend hosted Allegheny College. Allegheny scored first but the Lions roared back just a minute later tying the score with a goal from Dave Beck. Beck smashed the ball into the upper right corner of the opponent's goal on a pass from Ken Crumb.

With 12 minutes left in the first half, an official made a questionable call against the Lions. A penalty kick was awarded to Allegheny. Behrend's goalie Chris Hahn came up with a big initial save, but Allegheny pounced on the rebound and reclaimed the lead.

With the home team's concentration clouded with frustration, the advantage swung towards Allegheny. Allegheny tallied once more ending the first half with a two goal margin.

Behrend came on strong in the second half with offensive pressure. However, Allegheny's goalkeeper was able to come up big on several occasions foiling a Lion rally. With six minutes remaining, Allegheny scored the final goal of the game. Although the Behrend club played a better game than the score indicates, Allegheny came away with a hard fought 4-1 victory.

Pitt-Bradford came into town on October 5, and the Lions sweet victory as they posted an impressive 3-0 shutout. The driving rain and hail did not hamper the

team as the put forth their best effort of the season. Mike Mihalke scored his third goal of the season on an assist from Jay Varcoe to begin the scoring. Later, in the first half, freshman Jim Hoolahan tallied the first goal of his collegiate career, increasing the lead to two. In the second half, Dave Beck recorded his third goal of the season on an assist from Gary Smelko, sealing the Lion victory. Coach Lauffer feels that the best outcome of the game was not the fact that they won, but the precision with which they played and the opportunity to involve the entire team.

Behrend is now 4-5 for the season. Lauffer is pleased with the team's playing ability but feels he needs to improve their concentration and confidence.

photos by Rick Brooks



Dave Beck (left) and Mike Mihalke (right) show intensity against Allegheny.

## World Series Close-up

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It's World Series time again. Time for most sports fans to forget about football and concentrate on Major League Baseball's fall classic.

Starting off with the National League, there is the Eastern Divisional Champion New York Mets. The same Mets that came from behind to win two years ago. The "Amazing Mets" are back again and have more superstar caliber players than ever before.

Among them are third baseman Gregg Jeffries and 20 game winner David Cone. Jeffries has only been with the Mets since the end of the regular season.

Leading the new talent, the Mets' veterans and coaches are some of the best around. Manager Davey Johnson will need some power hitting, and he will look to Darryl Strawberry and Keith Hernandez to get it.

**Darryl Strawberry and Keith Hernandez need to provide some power for the Mets to win**

One of the key positions for the Mets is shortstop, filled most recently by Howard Johnson. Others such as Gary Carter, Wally Backman, Kevin McReynolds, Len Dykstra, and Mookie Wilson have to play excellent defense in order to hold down the elusive Dodgers hitters.

The Mets probably possess the best starting pitching in the baseball next to the Oakland A's. The pitching is what got the Mets this far and it will be a key factor in the championship series. Keep in mind that the Mets can use their starting pitchers to clean up the end of the games. Johnson will not

hesitate to use Gooden, Cone or Darling in the late innings.

The Dodgers do not have many weaknesses. What they do have is a very sound, mediocre baseball team. Only one man could get such a team into the play-offs. His name is Tommy Lasorda. Lasorda relies on the very basics. He sees his outfield as very fundamental, when it comes to playing defense and hitting the ball on offense. Kirk Gibson is back and healthy in left field. Gibson led the team in batting average (.290) and likes to be known that he does have a strong arm. Mike Marshall, a solid fielder, should show a lot of power at the plate. John Shelby, probably the fastest on the team, anchors center field.

The infield consists of Steve Sax at second, Alfredo Griffin at shortstop and Jeff Hamilton at third. Franklin Stubbs and Mickey Hatcher split the duties at first. Mike Scioscia, who is ever so important, both at bat and catching. Whether it is by throwing out a runner at second or getting a key hit in late innings. Scioscia is known not to strike out too often.

The Dodgers starting pitching can be a question mark but the bullpen has shown that it can get out of sticky situations. Ace reliever Jay Howell has a few tricks up his sleeve as well as Alejandro Pena and southpaw Jesse Orosco. Orel Hershiser, Tim Lincecum and John Tudor must contain the sluggers Strawberry, Hernandez, and Carter in order to give the relief staff a chance to shut the door.

Nothing is definite when two teams like this meet. They are so different on paper, but both find ways to win.

The American League is the elite of Major League baseball. The Red Sox are back and have what they did not have in 1986. The leadership of Boggs, Rice, Evans, and Barrett has coupled with the

emergence of the younger players Greenwell, Burks, Reed and Benzinger.

They have the hitting and the fielding, but their pitching leaves much to be desired. Although the Sox have Clemens, Hurst, Boddicker, Smith and Stanley, they lack consistency. They have to be consistent in order to stop the high flying A's.

The A's won the most games in the Majors, 103. They were and still are, the most overlooked team in the league. Their sluggers Don Baylor, Jose Canseco, Mark

**Jose Canseco and Mark McGuire produced more than 50% of the A's total offense.**

McGuire, Dave Parker, Carney Lansford, Ron Hassey and Dave Henderson are some of the best ever. Canseco and McGuire account for more than three fifths of the teams total RBIs.

The infield has Walter Weiss at short, Lansford at third, Gallego at second and McGuire at first. The outfield is centered around Henderson in center, Canseco in right and speedy Polonia in left.

The pitching staff includes Dave Stewart, Bob Welch, Storm Davis, Curt Young and ace reliever Dennis Eckersley. Manager Tony LaRoussa sees Eckersley as the best in the league. Sum up good relief, strong hitting, excellent fielding, and what you come up with is a formula for a World Series Champion.

The Oakland A's will be the American League Champion. Their opponents will most likely be the Mets, who will outlast the Dodgers. The Mets will not be able to out-slug the A's. Jose Canseco will be the MVP of the Oakland A's win the 1988 World Series.

## Profile: Jenepher Banker

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The Lady Lions' basketball team is under the leadership of a new head coach for the 1988-89 season. Coach Jenepher Banker will begin her fourth overall year of coaching on October 15, when her team here starts practice. Banker's first year of coaching was at a high school in Vermont. She has spent the past two years as an assistant coach at Iowa State. Banker herself played basketball throughout high school and for four years at Springfield College in Massachusetts.

Coach Banker finds Behrend to be a place with quality people, both students and administration. Her goal for this season is forward and direct, to bring success to Behrend. "Success for me is us (both the team and the staff) doing everything we can, each time, to be the best we can be," said Banker. This is a worthy goal, indeed, and such dedication will be needed to improve on the Lady Lions' 6-19 mark of last season.

Coach Banker will hold tryouts for the 1988-89 Women's Basketball team on Saturday, October 15 from 9 to 11:30 am.



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