



photo by Rick Brooks

**Coop shot:** Freshman Steve Cooper (33) shoots for two of his 16 points.

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favor, but the outcome was much closer this time. Pringle led the Behrend hoopsters with 18 markers and ripped down 14 boards, but his and the team's efforts were not enough to avoid a 69-68 loss at the hands of the Bisons.

The consolation game was against Edinboro, who lost to Allegheny in their first game of the tourney. The Lions didn't

fare any better against Edinboro and were dominated by the Fighting Scots, 82-59. Behrend was paced by senior guard David Gurska with 17 points.

Behrend traveled to Baldwin-Wallace in Berea, Ohio, on December 19. The Yellow Jackets were 9-1 entering the contest and had just upset the nation's third ranked Division III team, Otterbein College. The

Lions were not intimidated.

Gurska put on a show in the second half, bringing the Lions back from a deficit of nine points with seven minutes to go in the game. Gurska shot six of seven from three-point land and finished with 36 points and lead the Lions to a 98-86 upset victory of

Baldwin-Wallace College. Point guard Randy Baughman pumped in 25 points.

Behrend shot 63 percent from the field and 80 percent from behind the three-point arc.

Buffalo State, the second ranked team in the nation, traveled to play Behrend on Monday. The final score of the contest was 88-69 in the Bengals column.

Behrend kept it close in the first half on the strength of freshman forward Sieve Cooper's soft inside touch, who ended the half with 14 points. The Lions trailed at the half, 39-30.

Poor shooting (one hit in 16 three-point attempts), turnovers (first seven possessions in second half: seven throwaways, no points), and Rick Demski's foul trouble (four in six minutes) hampered Behrend in their attempts to get back in the game.

Cooper finished with 16 points, with Demski adding 14 and Baughman 10. As a team, Behrend shot 43 percent from the field.

**NOTES:** In the latest publications of NCAA rankings, the Lions were ranked tenth in free throw percentage (77 percent) and fourth in three-pointers made per-game with eight. Individually, Gurska is second in the nation in three-pointers made per game with 4.1 makes per game.

## Remaining Home Basketball Games

### Men's Hoop

1/31	Houghton	7:30pm
2/3	Elmira	6 pm*
2/17	Keuka	7:30pm

### Women's Hoop

2/3	Elmira	4 pm*
2/7	Bethany	6 pm
2/20	Grove City	6 pm

All games are played in Erie Hall

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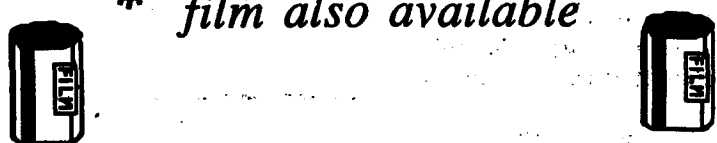
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