Baseball squad breaks into win column on the road

by Tony Viola Collegian Staff Writer

Behrend played two doubleheaders against Thiel College in the past week and won their first decision of the young season on the road.

On Monday, the Lions hosted a doubleheader against Thiel College in the bitter cold.

Thiel defeated Behrend in the first game 5-2, and the Lions dropped the late game by a margin of 6-4.

Freshman Scott Frantz started for Behrend in the first game, pitching 51/3 innings, striking out two batters and walking three.

Bill Weirner pitched the rest of the game for the Lions in relief. Weimer walked one batter, and didn't have any strike outs.

Weimer, Freshman commenting on the bitter weather, said, "It's hard to keep loose and keep your arm ready to pitch."

Scott Fleshman started the second game for Behrend and gave up five runs. Frantz came in for Fleshman to end the game.

Last Wednesday, Behrend traveled to play a doubleheader at Thiel.

The Lions split the twinbill, winning the second game by a score of 6-2 after losing a heartbreaking opener, 2-1.

In the first game, Thiel scored the winning run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Captain Darin Wotus pitched a complete game for Behrend. Wotus struck out seven Thiel batters, but also walked seven hitters. Wotus gave up just one carned run in the contest.

The Lions scored first when Paul Benim crossed home plate in the first inning to give Behrend a 1-0 lead. The lead didn't last long as Thiel scored to tie the game in the bottom of the first inning.

Captain Ray Cerqua led the Lions in hitting going two for three in the first game.

The Lions won the second game against Thiel, 6-2, for their first win of the year.

Fleshman pitched a twohitter, picking up a complete game for the victory. Fleshman recorded five strikeouts and yielded four free

Offensively, John Terrill went two for three and scored two runs for the Lions. Terrill also had one run batted in. Cerqua also scored two runs in the game.

Sophomore Tim Cook had two RBI's while collecting two hits in four chances. Sophomore Kirk McKinney was one for three and drew one walk while batting lead-off for Behrend.

Carl Brown and Tony Reed scored the two runs for Thiel.

"We played really well in the second game, displaying a good work ethic," explained Head Coach Mike Bari.

Bari also added, "The players look at it as a 1-1 record rather than a 1-5 start."

Terrill is hitting .400 to lead the Lions on the campaign.

The doubleheader against Mount Union, Ohio was postponed due to the bad weather conditions on Saturday. The games will be made up later on in the season.

The Lions play home today at 1 pm against Washington and Jefferson. After Monday's play, the Lions are now 1-7.

Sports

Netters serve up new season with home match

by Sue Cepicka Collegian Staff Writer

Last year, the Behrend men's tennis team finished with a 6-8 record. This year, they hope to improve this accomplishment with the addition of some new talent and the return of their number one and number two seeds.

Mike Grignol is entering his third season as coach of the team and is very confident on another successful year. Although he has only three returning players with match experience, he is very positive that his new players will develop and contribute to the

When asked what the most important factor in the winning of a match was, Coach Grignol quickly replied, "No doubt about it, mental attitudes. A confident attitude helps you to keep yourself in the game". For his more experienced players, this attitude is not a problem, but the younger players must develop it.

The number one player on the team is Erie-born sophomore Bill Schmitt. Schmitt had a tremendous first season at Behrend. As a freshman, Schmitt stepped right into the number one position on the team. His record was 9-0 against Division III opponents, only losing 2 sets in all of the matches. Schmitt is the team leader, with all the confidence and experience that an older player should have.

Fellow Sophomore Chuck Keenan holds the number two rank in men's singles. Chuck graduated from North Hills High School in the Pittsburgh area, and he brings with him extensive match experience.

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This week's sports schedule

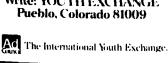
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