

# Lady spikers' home is on the road

## Tonight's match to be played at Iroquois High School

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The women's volleyball team has had a tough road schedule this year.

The lady spikers have traveled to SUNY-Cortland, Buffalo State, and Allegheny College all in the first week of play. So you would expect them to be excited about their first home match tonight.

They are excited, but they aren't home.

The lady spikers were told last week that problems with the gym floor in Erie Hall had arisen making it necessary for them to play their first home match in the Iroquois High School gym.

"It's disappointing that our gym isn't finished yet, we were looking forward to a home crowd. It's like home really isn't home," says freshman spiker Chrissy Whiteman.

The women had hoped to initiate the new Erie Hall floor with some of the kills and spikes that lifted them over Buffalo State and Carnegie Mellon last week. Unfortunately the floor seems to have buckled under its own weight.

One woman who has not buckled under the weight of being a starter is Chris Whiteman. She put the spike into the spikers this weekend by putting away 49 percent of her shots against CMU in route to a 13-15, 15-1, 15-7 team win.

"We learned to play as a team last week," says freshman Alexis Pasteur. "We're playing a lot of matches and we practice together all the time. We're living together so we're learning to work together."

Working together is just what Coach Jan Wilson wants out of her team.

"There are a lot of good

individuals here with a good amount of talent, so it took a week for them to learn how to work as a unit. They've got their games together now, the Carnegie win was what they needed to get them rolling," said Wilson.

The CMU match got the women rolling, but the win took its toll when one of their young starters, Lori Connick, suffered a torn calf muscle. Connick had a 50 percent kill ratio against CMU before the injury took her out of play.

The Lady Lions are hoping to continue rolling as they face John Carroll (6 pm) and Thiel College (8 pm).

"We're going to miss Lori on Thursday night, both of our opponents are teams to be reckoned with. John Carroll is always at the top of their division," said Wilson

# Sports

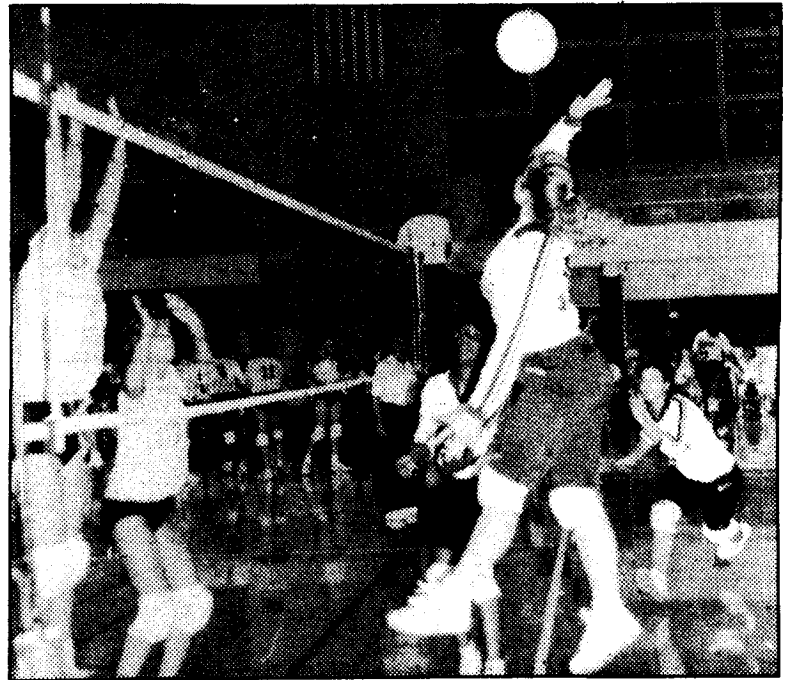


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**The kill:** Chris Whiteman rises up for a spike in last Saturday's tournament at Allegheny College while teammates Alexis Pasteur (left) and Pam Allshouse look on.

# Lady netters lose third in a row

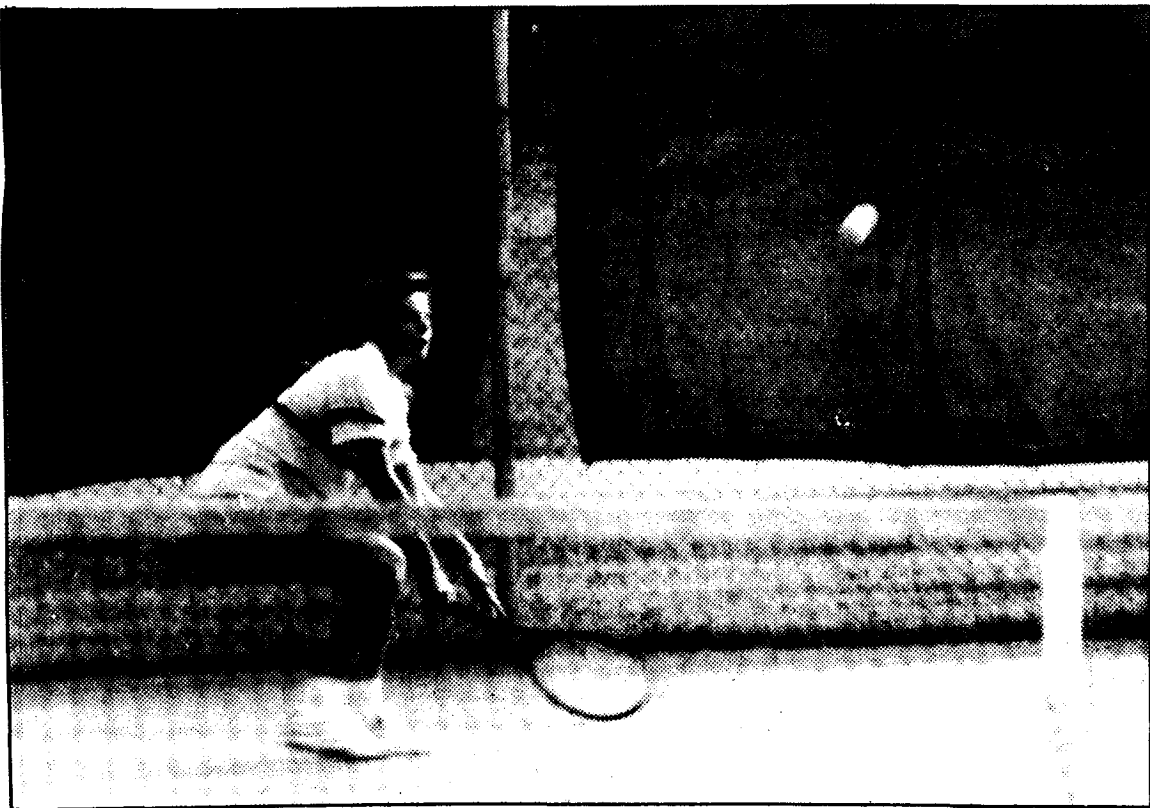


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**The return:** Nicole Anderson prepares for a backhand return in a home match against Grove City College.

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The women's tennis team suffered their third loss in a row on September 13th to Grove City, 9-0. No lady netter took a match past the second set.

Melissa Clark, the teams number two seed, was absent from the match due to illness. This caused the lower seeded players to play a higher seed, putting the Lady Lions at a disadvantage.

The home match against Geneva College on September 15 was cancelled because of rain. Geneva showed up for the match, but decided not to play because of the poor weather conditions.

The match has not been rescheduled.  
Coach Dan Gallegos

**"The losses aren't a reflection of our playing ability. All of us are giving 100 percent. The future looks bright."**

- Karen Major

commented on his squad's recent losses.

He said that Behrend plays a tough schedule, including NCAA Division I teams that are generally stronger than

NCAA Division III teams like Behrend.

Division I teams can give scholarships to players and thus can recruit much better trained players, something that Behrend cannot do.

Despite the decisive loss to Grove City, Gallegos is looking forward to the latter part of the schedule. He says the team will rack up wins against teams that are on the same level as Behrend.

"We should do real well after Canisius (on Tuesday)," said the first year coach.

The outlook of team members reflects the positive attitude of their coach.

Katherine Rozumny said,

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# Baseball opener rained out

The weather man decided to put a damper on the start of the men's baseball season.

The Lions were scheduled to play Jamestown Community College last Saturday, but the rain started and never stopped, causing the game to be cancelled.

Head Coach Greg Guilliams will hopefully get a chance to see his team play this Saturday in the Edinboro Tournament. The tourney starts with the Lions taking on the Lakers of Mercyhurst at 2 pm. If they should win, the Lions will play the winner of the Edinboro-Gannon game.

The tournament gives

Guilliams a chance to evaluate his players in a game situation. The rookie coach says that he will pay particular attention to his pitching staff.

"How well or how poorly we play this weekend will depend on how well we pitch," said the baseball skipper. "Pitching is the key. It's 80 percent of baseball."

Guilliams will have plenty of pitchers to watch. The mound crew includes Darren Wotus, Matt Polison, Scott Franz, Alex Horweth, Trevor Johnson, Chris Kolovosky, and Jim Gordon.

- Sue Cepicka

# This week's sports schedule

Today		
Men's Golf A	Mercyhurst	3 pm
Volleyball H	Thiel College	6 pm
	John Carroll	
Friday		
Tennis A	Buffalo State	4 pm
Saturday		
Soccer A	St. John Fisher	1 pm
Monday		
Baseball A	Edinboro*	1 pm
Tuesday		
Baseball A	Edinboro*	1 pm
Tennis A	Fredonia	3 pm
Volleyball A	Case Western	6 pm
Wednesday		
Men's Golf A	Allegheny	3 pm
Soccer H	Allegheny	3 pm
Thursday		
Tennis A	Thiel College	3 pm
Volleyball A	SUNY-Fredonia	7 pm

\*Tournament