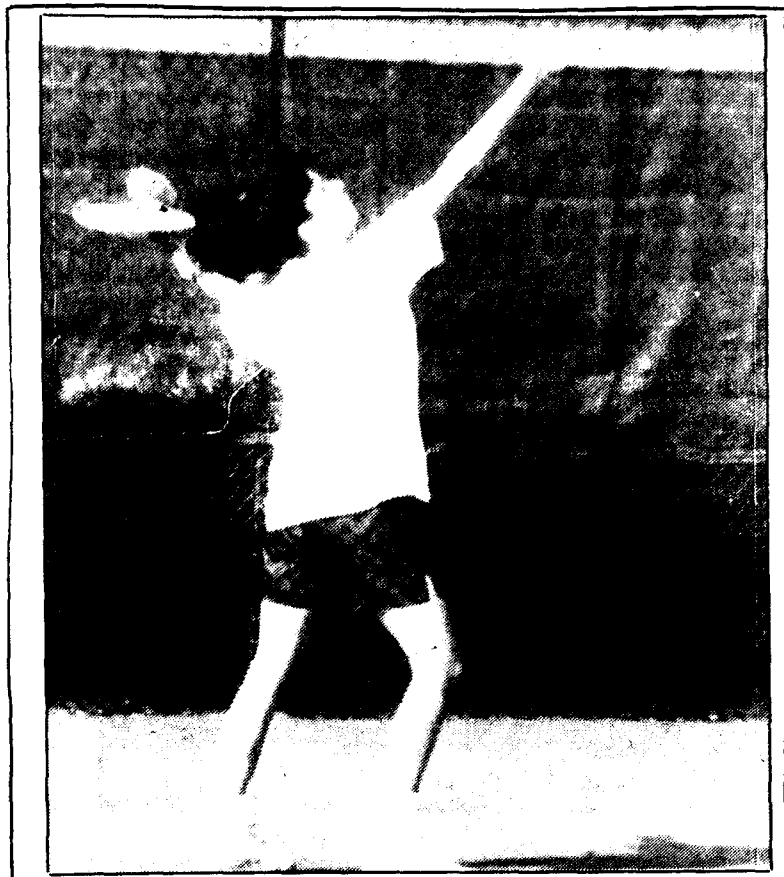


Athlete of the Week

Faso Proves Invincible in Play



Tim Barr/The Collegian
Uuuhhh! Annmarie Faso, undefeated tennis player, positions herself for the serve.

by **Keith McFall**
The Collegian

This year once again the Collegian is honoring an athlete of the week. The athlete of the week is a person who has shown outstanding effort in his or her respective sport. He or she is voted on by all of the coaches at Behrend based on their performances during the previous week.

This week's athlete is Annmarie Faso, a freshman tennis player. In ten matches this year she is undefeated in both number one singles and doubles.

Annmarie is from Wexford, PA, and attended North Allegheny High School. While there she posted undefeated seasons in all four years.

She was a ranked United States Tennis Association player as a Junior and played in the national tournament in Cherry Hill, NJ that year.

Coach Dan Gallegos saw Annmarie's name on a recruitment flyer and sent her a letter. She came to visit Behrend last year,

and after passing up offers to play at Notre Dame and the main campus of Penn State she chose to come here.

Annmarie has that extra effort that a team needs.

"She can kick it in to an extra gear when she needs to, is encouraging and polite to other

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- Coach Dan Gallegos

team members, and is a definite team player", said Gallegos.

Annmarie's goals for the season are to have fun while on the team.

She wants to play hard and to the best of her ability each

match, and help the team to a winning season this year. She also wants to continue to improve as the season goes on.

Being only a freshman, Annmarie is in the Division of Undergraduate Studies.

She is undecided on whether she will spend all four years here at Behrend or transfer to main campus.

Annmarie wants to keep life in perspective and have a well rounded and balanced experience while here.

News is logical. Read it in *The Collegian* ...and prosper.



'It's better to be a light post in NYC than the Erie mayor'

by **Julie Coughenour**
The Collegian

The 1992 Womens Varsity tennis team is expecting bigger and better things this season. They have set goals for their team and are working hard to achieve them.

On Wednesday Sept. 9 the lions beat Fredonia with a score of (5-4). It was a tough match and a well deserved victory. The ladies are currently two and one. They defeated Buffalo State (8-1) on Sept. 3. Winning all of their singles matches was the highlight of the match. Unfortunately, the team opened the season a little shaky and suffered a loss to Fredonia (4-5) on Sept. 2.

Coach Gallegos is extremely pleased by the hard work put forth by the ladies. He looks forward to continued success. Although the ladies are young, (seven of eight starting players are freshman) what they lack in experience they make up for in determination.

The team has set three goals for the season: (1) to have fun (2) have team spirit (3) not to kill sparrows with cannons, meaning don't go overboard; keep everything in perspective.

Captain Karen Major is very optimistic about the season as

well. She is one of two seniors on the team, and she knows that freshman girls have lot of adjusting to do. She expects to see great progress in all the girls throughout the season.

Among the teams most promising players is Annmarie Faso who has won all of her matches. Her singles scores against Fredonia were (6-0) and (6-0); and against Buffalo State (6-1) (6-0). Faso has been playing tennis since she was four years old. In high school she went to the National USTA tourney. Here at P.S.B., she even defeats some of the male players. When asked about her personal goals for the season, Faso replied. "I want to have fun and win!"

Coach Gallegos considers all of his ladies very talented and plans to give them all the chance to succeed. but he doesn't expect tennis to be their whole life. He says, "The girls are beginning to learn that it is better to be a light post in the City of New York, than the mayor of Erie."

The Ladies Tennis Team's next home match is on September 17 against Ticil at 3 p.m.

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