

Sports bits

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In and Out: The first round of the Stanley Cup playoffs is nearly over. The Penguins, Sabres, and the Blues have all advanced. Vancouver, Los Angeles, and Toronto all hold 3-2 leads.

Moving East: The once mighty Edmonton Oilers possibly could move to Hamilton, Ontario. Owner Peter Pocklington gave Edmonton civic officials until May 14 to come up with financial concessions or he'll move the five-time Stanley Cup champions.

Numero Uno: Washington State quarterback Drew Bledsoe was the first player chosen in this year's NFL college draft. The New England Patriots chose the WSU Cougar QB over Notre Dame product, Rick Mirer. Mirer was picked by the Seattle Seahawks as the second pick. Garrison Hearst of Georgia went third to Phoenix and Florida State linebacker, Marvin "Shade Tree" Jones went fourth to the New York Jets.

NBA leaders: Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls won his seventh consecutive scoring title, which ties Wilt Chamberlain's record, and also lead the league in steals. Utah Jazz guard John Stockton lead the league in assists for the sixth consecutive season. Dennis Rodman of the Detroit Pistons lead the league in rebounding at an impressive 18.6 rpg.

Who's hot, who's not: The world champion Toronto Blue Jays have moved into second place behind the Detroit Tigers. The Jays have won four in a row, while the Tigers are 8-2 in their last ten. The California Angels have gotten off to an unexpected start with a 12-4 mark. They have won six in row. In the National league the Philadelphia Phillies continue their hot play as they have started out 14-5 and have a 2 game lead over Montreal. In the N.L. west, Houston and San Francisco are tied for first ahead of the heavily favored Atlanta Braves.

Thank you!!: The Collegian Sports Team would like to thank Coach Paul Benim and Coach Dan Gallegos for the efforts they have put forth this year in helping us with stats, interviews, etc. Your help and cooperation has been greatly appreciated and has not gone unnoticed.

Goodbye: The Collegian Sports Team would like to wish Gary Johnson and Rick Kastan good luck in their future endeavors. It has been fun working with you.

Out in left field...

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Job Title: Athlete of the Week.
Qualifications: 2nd all-time season totals to-date in RBI's & doubles, played every game, game winning hit against Waynesburg...

Responsibilities: Solid fielding, team player, clutch hitting...

A job application? No. A description of this semester's final Athlete of the Week? Yes. The sport: women's softball. The position: leftfield. The uniform number: 20. The qualified applicant: Theresa Clare Pegher, a/k/a Terry Pegher.

A leftfielder that loves to dive for the ball, sprints to make shoestring catches, and gifted with a knack for hitting in the clutch is hard to find.

Pirate manager Jim Leyland will tell you that. He lost Barry Bonds to the San Francisco Giants.

But Paul Benim, well, he's fortunate to be able to pencil in a player like Pegher into the lineup everyday. Only she and Sue Mazur have played in every Lady Lions game so far this season.

Winning teams are nothing new for Pegher. Pegher, Mazur, and teammate Casey Putteman

helped lead their North Allegheny High School team to the second round of the WPIAL playoffs in 1991.

In 1992, Pegher was an integral member of the Lady Lions team who compiled a 22-6 record. This year she continues to contribute to the 19-5 Lady Lions tenacious defense and score-happy offense.

The fourth semester MIS major from Wexford, PA was named to the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette first team all-star squad following her senior year. Pegher, an outfielder with a solid all-around game, hit .438, scored 14 runs, was error-free in 117 chances, and threw out four runners.

Pegher's season stats as of last Monday's game against Bethany College are as follows:

- RBI (21), 2nd Behrend all-time, (tied with Darcie Bradley)

- Runs (18)

- Hits (23)

- Doubles (7), 2nd Behrend all-time (season record is 8)

Against Waynesburg, Pegher went 4-for-7 with two runs scored and three RBI's. All of this from a player that wasn't even recruited by Behrend.

Pegher's first choice was Robert Morris College near Pittsburgh. During a recruiting

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Smile Terry!: You're on Candid Camera!

In A League of Their Own



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Down, but not out: Trainer Richard Boesch, teammate Julie Stocker, and coach Paul Benim check to see that Karen Strait is okay. Strait was tripped up while attempting to turn a double play.

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"We weren't ready to play in the two losses," said Coach Paul Benim.

TWO losses in a span of three days "dropped" the Lady Lions to 19-5 on the season. The second loss was to a 23-5 Bethany squad that had a 19

game winning streak earlier in the season.

The first was to a 19-9 Waynesburg team that capitalized on a poor defensive first inning by the Lions.

On Monday of this week the Lions tangled with Bethany College. Bethany came into the game ranked right behind the Lions in the region.

After falling behind 5-0, the Lions finally got a runner on in the fourth. Tomei, the Bethany pitcher, had thrown four perfect innings.

The Lions battled back by getting four in the fifth, but couldn't pull it out as they fell 5-4.

The Lions quickly regrouped for the second game.

"We got off to a fast start and didn't let them in the game," said Benim.

After scoring one in both the first and second innings, the Lions got two more in the third to put the game out of reach. They cruised behind Cherie Varassa's 11th win as they won 5-1.

Varassa recorded 10 strikeouts to only one walk. Casey Putteman added two RBI's.

On April 24, the Lions took on the Waynesburg Yellow Jackets.

The Jackets stung the Lions early and didn't let them recover as they went on to win 6-5.

Julie Stocker led the Lions with her 3 for 3 performance at the plate. Darcie Bradley, who needs only three hits to become the school's all-time leader in that category, and Terry Pegher, this week's Athlete of the Week, each contributed 2 hits a piece.

The Lions struck fast and struck hard in the second game as they put it away in the fifth inning.

After building a 4-0 lead, the Lions ended things with their six run, fifth inning.

Pegher, Stocker and Sue Mazur all had two hits in the 10-0 win. Stocker and Pegher

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