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Track & Field Shines at Mason-Dixon Event

Penn State Behrend track & field achieved new heights at the Mason Dixon championships in May. The women had their best championship finish ever at third place with 96 points. The men came in at fifth with 54 points. Combined the two teams had 49 All-Mason Dixon performances from 31 athletes, the highest total to date.

Highlights from the men's side included Kevin Gorny (Erie/McDowell) who won the 3000 meter steeplechase with a school record and ECAC qualifying time of 9:54.19. Jason Reichart (Bloomsburg/Bloomsburg) gave the men eight points in the discus event when he hurled the disc 40.69 meters, taking second in the event. Dan Mitchell (Bloomsburg/Bloomsburg) earned a trip to the ECACs with a javelin toss of 53.79 meters, good enough for third place and six points. The 4 x 100 meter relay squad grabbed a third place finish with a new school record time of 42.89 seconds and will also be heading to ECACs.

For the women, all-conference star Kim Chapman (Cranberry Township/Seneca Valley) set a new Behrend record in the 400 meter hurdles with a second-place time of 1:05.22. Chapman broke her own record of 1:06.32 that she set last season. Lisa Brozewicz (Wattsburg/Seneca) continued to better her school record in the 3000 meter steeplechase, she gave the women four points with a time of 12:20.96. The women's 4 x 100 meter relay team were on their way to ECACs after setting the school record with a finish of 50.82. Danielle Wynder (Jersey City, NJ/W.L. Dickinson) gave her team another eight points with her second place throw in the javelin event of 26.69 meters.



Kim Chapman

MITCHELL COMPLETES STELLAR CAREER AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Penn State Behrend track & field javelin star, Dan Mitchell competed at the NCAA championships at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Saturday, May 26 to conclude the track & field season. Mitchell placed eighth with a throw of 181' 8" in his heat and did not make the final round. This was his third trip to the national tournament.

As a junior, Mitchell placed ninth at the national championships, missing All-American status by a single spot. The top-eight of each event are recognized as All-Americans.

Mitchell qualified for the championships after setting a new facility record at the ECAC championships at Oneonta State when he tossed the spear 196'1".

The event marks the end of Mitchell's four year career at Behrend. He was also honored with the Behrend Male Athlete of the Year Award this season.



Dan Mitchell

BEHREND LIONS CAPTURE THIRD STRAIGHT PRESIDENT'S CUP CHAMPIONSHIP

The Penn State Behrend Lions have claimed the 2000-07 AMCC Presidents' Cup. The Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference's ten schools compete for points in twelve men's and women's sports, with points accumulated for each team's finish during the AMCC regular season. Behrend's total of 98 points outpaced second-place Frostburg State by 12.5 points. Frostburg State, who claimed the cup back in 2003-04, is the only other team besides Behrend to have won it since the AMCC began awarding the Presidents' Cup seven year ago.

Behrend's fight to retain the cup was led by six teams which finished either first or second in the point standing for that sport, including four who went on to become AMCC Champions: women's soccer, women's tennis, men's swimming, and women's swimming. The other teams who finished first or second in the point standings were volleyball, men's cross country, women's cross country, women's softball, men's basketball, and women's basketball.

BEHREND HAS 83 STUDENT-ATHLETES EARN ACADEMIC ALL- CONFERENCE HONORS

Annually Behrend Lions student-athletes excel in the classroom. This spring, 83 athletes were honored with academic all-conference honors. To be recognized as all-conference student-athletes must earn at least a 3.2 grade point average each semester--a challenging task while balancing practice, games, and academics.

In addition, 24 athletes at Behrend have been recognized by the National College Athletic Honor Society (NCAS). The society is designed to acknowledge varsity athletes who are also high academic achievers. Juniors and seniors on varsity squads with a 3.40 cumulative GPA or better are eligible, and once inducted become members of the Chi Alpha Sigma Pennsylvania Epsilon Chapter.

Softball Earns Bid to ECACs, Competes in Postseason for Second Straight Year

The Penn State Behrend Softball team produced a second consecutive season of postseason play in 2007, earning a bid to the 2007 ECAC South Region Tournament. In the ECAC tournament hosted by La Roche, Behrend earned a #4 seed and defeated Neumann and Westminster before being eliminated with losses to La Roche and Kean. A year ago the team advanced to the NCAA tournament after winning the AMCC tournament. In 2007 softball again made it to final game of the conference tournament before losing the NCAA bid to Pitt-Bradford, by a 9-7 score.

The blue and white (29-16) were well represented on the AMCC all-conference team for another outstanding season. Sophomore second baseman Nikki Kaschauer (South Park/South Park) was named First Team All-AMCC in addition to being honored as the conference Player of the Year. Kaschauer led her team in batting average (.438), hits (63), and RBIs (39). She was also among the league leaders in runs, doubles, and total bases. This is the second selection to the All-Conference First Team for Kaschauer.

Joining Kaschauer on the All-AMCC First Team were starting pitcher Julie Koman (McKees Rocks/Montour) and center fielder Katie Whitby (Tyrone/Tyrone). Both were standout players in the league all season and members of an outstanding sophomore class for the softball team.

Koman had another dominant season on the mound for the blue and white. The



Nikki Kaschauer

sophomore was also all over the conference rankings as she was first or second in wins (19), ERA (1.56), strikeouts (176), and opposing batting average (.232). A season ago, Koman was also named to the All-AMCC First Team.

Whitby was another standout player for the Behrend Lions softball team in 2007. The sophomore put together another impressive season, finishing among the league leaders in batting average (.417), hits (60), runs (42), triples (10) and total bases (86). Like Kaschauer and Koman, this was the second consecutive selection to the All-AMCC First Team for Whitby.

Men's Tennis Has Four Earn All-Conference Honors

Behrend men's tennis landed four of its players on the all-conference list including freshman sensation Scott Shaw (Tulsa, OK/Jenks) who was named the conference Player of the Year. Shaw was the individual champion of first flight singles in the AMCC championship, dominating the competition 6-1, 6-1 in the semifinals and 6-1, 6-0 in the finals. Shaw was undefeated in AMCC competition and won his final seven matches.

Making the all-conference first-team was Miles Boyea (St. Vincent, WI/Upper Canada) and Trevor Dougherty (Meadville/Meadville). This is Boyea's second first-team nomination while Dougherty has been all-conference three consecutive seasons. Boyea was the individual champion of number-two singles, winning in straight sets in both the

semifinals and finals. Dougherty was the individual champion of number-six singles and finished the season winning eight of his final nine matches including going 5-1 in AMCC play. Jim Palmer (Sharon/Sharon) made the all-conference second-team for his efforts in number-three singles. Palmer made it to the finals of the AMCC tournament before losing to Frostburg's Matt Chisholm. Palmer went 5-1 against AMCC competition in the regular season.



Scott Shaw

Baseball Four Tabbed AMCC All-Conference

Behrend freshman sensation Josh Fyffe (Fredonia/Sharpville) was selected by the AMCC Coaches as the 2007 Newcomer of the Year. Fyffe hit .394 (56 for 142) with a team-high nine doubles and 33 RBIs. He also hit three home runs and stole ten bases.

"This is a tremendous honor for Josh," said head coach Paul Benim. "He had an outstanding season and led us as a freshman which is hard to do in the college game. The league coaches recognized the impact he had on our team and how he affected our conference games. We are very happy for him. Josh earned this."

Fyffe joins David Koerbel (2006), Brian Hart (2004), and Jake Boyle (1999) as other Behrend diamond cutters to earn this prestigious accolade. Fyffe ranked eighth in the

league in batting average, fourth in hits, and fourth in RBIs, and third in assists. The AMCC began conference baseball play in 1998.

Joining Fyffe on the all-conference first-team was senior catcher Gabe Stephenson (State College/State College). Stephenson, who earned All-AMCC accolades in 2006, led the blue and white in batting average at .396, and in home runs with four. He also led the team in slugging percentage (.585) and on-base average at (.463). Stephenson ranked among the league leaders in the AMCC and was ranked seventh in batting average.

Named to the all-conference second team were sophomore pitcher David Koerbel (Pittsburgh/Central Catholic) and third baseman Adam Martin (Rochester/Roches-

ter). Koerbel was last season's Newcomer of the Year in the league anchored the Behrend staff with a 5-1 mark. His only loss was a 2-1 defeat by league champion Frostburg State. Koerbel posted a 2.87 ERA and struck out 55 hitters in 53.1 innings of work while completing four games. Koerbel ranks second in league ERA and third in strike-outs. Martin was tied for second on the team in home runs with three, and drove in 22 runs while batting .316.



Josh Fyffe

Behrend Athletics Awards Announced

This year's James Frye Male Athlete of the Year is senior Dan Mitchell (Bloomsburg/Bloomsburg). Mitchell, a senior on the track and field team, is the school record holder in the javelin. He has qualified for the NCAA Championships for three straight years.

This year's Cheryl Ramsdell-Anderson Female Athlete of the Year winner is senior Brittany Mays (Knox/Keystone). Mays led the women's basketball team to the AMCC Championship game and the ECAC tournament during her senior season. Mays, a two-time All-AMCC selection, averaged a team best 15.1 ppg and 7.0 rpg.

Also awarded annually is the John Zahniser Scholar Athlete Award, which is given to the male and female student-athletes who have best combined academic and athletic achievements. Students with at least a fifth semester standing and a 3.40 cumulative GPA are eligible. This year's Male Scholar Athlete Award winner is senior Josh Serafini (Erie/Cathedral Prep). Serafini, started all 19 games for the blue and white this season. Paige Payer (Venango/Cambridge Springs) was the Female Scholar Athlete Award winner. Payer, a senior, was a three-year starter and team leader for the women's volleyball team.

Four other Behrend awards recognize achievements outside of athleticism and academics. The Richard Dill Outstanding Service Award, given to the person who has provided outstanding service as a lay volunteer to Behrend athletics is volunteer assistant track and field coach Keith Cerroni. Cerroni, a former Behrend athlete, volunteered numerous hours to the track and field program.



Brittany Mays

This year's Herb Lauffer Leadership/Scholarship Award winner is senior Karla Murray (North East/North East), an all-conference volleyball player and SAAC club president. She was also an academic all-conference selection and member of the student-athlete honor society. Murray, who also won this award last year was chosen as the athlete who best exemplifies the qualities of former Behrend coach and athletic director Herb Lauffer: to be a leader, an excellent student, and a sincere, genuine person who strives to make everyone around them better.

The Behrend Spirit Award, given to the person most dedicated to showing spirit at Penn State Behrend has been awarded to senior Brandi Kinney.

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JUNE 2007

11-15	Boys & Girls Soccer Day Camp
11-15	Boys & Girls Swim Day Camp
16-17	Girls Basketball Shoot-Out
18-22	Boys Basketball Day Camp
18-22	Boys & Girls Soccer Day Camp
22-23	Boys Basketball Team Camp
25-29	Girls Softball Day Camp
25-29	Girls Basketball Day Camp

JULY 2007

6-8	State Champs Volleyball Team Camp
8-11	Jerry Sandusky Football Camp
11-13	State Champs Volleyball Day Camp
15-18	Grandview Resident Basketball Camp
23-27	Boys Basketball Day Camp
30-August 3	Boys Baseball Day Camp
30-August 3	Girls Basketball Day Camp

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6-10	Boys & Girls Little Dribblers
6-10	Boys Baseball Day Camp

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