

# Behrend Lions Women's Tennis 2009



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## 2009 Season Preview

The Penn State Behrend women's tennis program expects to continue its trend of dominance against the AMCC. Behrend returns to the court with a stacked deck as its entire lineup is back and ready to go entering the 2009 season. "Our team should be strong again this fall," said twelfth year Head Coach Jeff Barger. "All of our starters are returning, so we expect to do well." Behrend has captured seven of the past ten AMCC titles under 2008 AMCC Coach of the Year, Jeff Barger. Last season, the blue and white cruised to a perfect 8-0 mark against the league and tallied a 14-3 overall mark, tying for the fourth most wins in program history. Behrend has rolled to four straight AMCC regular season and conference tournament titles, while posting a 54-8 overall mark in AMCC games, since the league's creation in 1997. "Everyone will be trying to knock us off," said Barger. "If we do well and win the big matches we could win another title."

Fourteen players return from last season's championship squad. Seniors Christy Calvert (Warren/Mercyhurst Prep) and Karen Hobaugh (Kutztown/Kutztown) will serve as team captains. Both are very well decorated All-AMCC players and anchor the veteran line-up in both singles and doubles play. Hobaugh, a former AMCC Newcomer of the Year and Behrend Rookie of the Year, could make a run at the all-time record for career wins in singles. She has earned a stellar 42-6 record in singles play and a 29-12 mark in doubles over three years. "Karen has been strong in preseason and is ready to make a run at the singles all-time record," said Barger. "She is also playing well in doubles and is pushing the others hard." Calvert boasts a 33-11 career record in singles action, while also earning a 33-13 mark as a teammate in doubles play. "Christy has been slowed by injury this season. When she is playing well she is a great singles player and has also done very well in doubles. Both Karen and Christy have given a lot to the program."

The junior class will also play a pivotal role in Behrend's title defense. Erin Bliley (Erie/Mercyhurst Prep), Hillary Lasher (Lakewood, NY/Southwestern), and Elissa Swartz (Warren/Warren) will create a formidable singles roster and provide Coach Barger with multiple line-up options for doubles play. Bliley was 9-1 in doubles as a freshman and Lasher crushed opponents with a 15-2 singles record, while also producing a 19-2 gap in doubles action. Last season, Lasher was named all-conference in fifth singles and third doubles. Swartz is competitive in both the singles and doubles line-ups and carries a lifetime mark of 14-2 in doubles.

Entering last season, Coach Barger thought he had a strong group of freshmen joining the program, and he was correct. Eight skilled freshmen are now sophomores and ready to raise their games. Ashley Brem (Kersey/St. Marys), Jade Buhite (North Kingsville, OH/Edgewood), Stephanie Cattron (Greenville/Commodore Perry), Arica Christman (Sharon/Sharon), Leslie Durante (Fairview/Fairview), Megan Flinchbaugh (Edinboro/General McLane), Megan Noschese (Ellwood City/Riverside), Allison Quigley (Gibsonia/Hampton), and Jenna Sellitto (Elma, NY/Iroquois) make up this talented group. Christman was voted the AMCC Player of the Year after a stellar first season at first singles. Cattron, Durante, and Quigley all picked up All-AMCC honors as rookies. Brem, Flinchbaugh, Noschese, and Sellitto all registered winning records last season and Buhite was tabbed as the program's most improved player.

Krystal Gage (Warren/Warren), Alexis Rowley (Erie/Central), and Mareesa Schepis (Moon/Moon) will become the newest additions to the program.

September features 12 matches. The blue and white expect to be at their best in October and will be striving to win another AMCC title and make a push into the NCAA tournament. The AMCC Championships are scheduled for October 17 and 18. "We hope to continue the winning, but the league teams will be prepared to play us," said Barger. Last season, the Behrend Lions swept the individual singles titles and won two of three doubles crowns en route to a convincing defense of their AMCC women's tennis title.

# Quick Facts

## Address

Penn State Erie,  
The Behrend College  
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5103 Station Road  
Erie, PA 16563-0400

## Telephone

814-898-6000

## Founded

1948

## Enrollment

4,600

## Chancellor

Dr. Jack Burke

## SportsLine

814-898-6163, press 1

## Arena

Junker Center

## Capacity

1,600

## Nickname

Behrend Lions

## Colors

Blue and White

## Affiliation

NCAA Division III

## Conferences

AMCC and ECAC

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Alma Mater

Fredonia State, 1984

Women's Record at School

133-55 10 years

Men's Record at School

and Women's Career Record

87-91 10 years

## Team Information

Overall Record Last Year 14-3

First Year of Tennis Men 1968

Women 1974

## Media Information

### College Newspaper

*Behrend Beacon* 814-898-6488

fax: 814-898-6019

### Newspaper

*Erie Times-News* 814-870-1700

fax: 814-870-1808

### Television

WICU-TV 12 814-454-5201

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WJET-TV 24 814-868-2424

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## Coaching Profile



Jeff Barger

### Head Coach Jeff Barger

Behrend's tennis head coach Jeff Barger is entering his twelfth year at the helm of the program.

Barger has created an exceptional program that expects success each and every year. He has led the Behrend women to four straight AMCC crowns. Under Barger's direction, the blue and white have earned championship titles in seven of the ten AMCC seasons.

Barger has been voted the AMCC Coach of the Year eight times and is the all-time leader in men's and women's coaching victories. He has also led the women's team to an unprecedented seven AMCC titles in ten seasons, including four straight in 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2008. His women's tennis winning percentage is impressive at 71% and ranks first in the Behrend record books. Barger has taken the women to four consecutive undefeated seasons in the AMCC, going 24-0 during that stretch and winning four AMCC tournament championships.

He has posted a 133-55 overall women's record, going an amazing 54-8 in the AMCC during that stretch. Last fall, the women tallied a 14-3 record en route to another league title.

After capturing the men's title in 2004, the blue and white earned a pair of runner's-up finishes before regaining the title in the spring of 2008. In the spring of 2009, the men's team posted an 8-0 mark in conference play and also captured the AMCC Tournament title, while logging a 12-7 overall record. His record as men's coach stands at 87-91, and 40-21 in the conference.

In the 2006-07 seasons, he led the men's team to a 5-1 conference mark, tying Frostburg State for first place in the regular season. The men went on to finish third in the AMCC Tournament. The women were a glamorous 15-1 and 6-0 in league play en route to winning the league championship.

Previously Barger was the girl's tennis coach at Ripley High School for four seasons, and he was a letterwinner in tennis for the Fredonia State Blue Devils. He earned a degree in business from Fredonia State. He also serves Penn State Behrend as a lecturer of health and physical education.

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## Player Profiles

### **Christy Calvert** **Senior**

Leadership award winner as a junior ... team captain ... 33-11 mark in singles play—ranks tenth on the all-time wins chart ... 33-13 career mark in doubles play and ranks fifth all-time ... three straight seasons on all-conference team ... ITA All-Academic Team in back-to-back seasons ... Rookie of the Year as freshman ... majoring in marketing.



Christy Calvert

### **Karen Hobaugh** **Senior**

Team captain ... ranks fourth all-time for career wins ... boasts career record of 42-6 in singles play ... 29-12 in doubles action—ranks eighth ... earned AMCC honors in both singles and doubles play in 2008 ... Behrend Rookie of the Year as sophomore ... AMCC Newcomer of the Year as freshman ... majoring in accounting and finance.

### **Hometown: Kutztown, PA** **High School: Kutztown**



Karen Hobaugh

### **Megan Flinchbaugh** **Junior**

Third year performer for Coach Barger ... excelled in doubles play for the blue and white logging a 5-1 record last fall ... earned AMCC Academic All-Conference honors in 2008 ... Dean's List and National Honor Society ... majoring in psychology.

### **Hometown: Edinboro, PA** **High School: General McLane**



Megan Flinchbaugh

### **Hillary Lasher** **Junior**

15-2 in singles as a sophomore—ranks tied for tenth for singles season wins ... career record of 19-2 in doubles play ... AMCC All-League accolades on first-team singles and doubles teams last season ... two-time league player of the week in 2008 ... two-time All-AMCC Academic Team ... Rookie of the Year in 2007 ... majoring in MIS.

### **Hometown: Lakewood, NY** **High School: Southwestern**



Hillary Lasher

### **Jenna Sellitto** **Junior**

Worked in reserve role as a sophomore ... went undefeated in singles and doubles ... earned AMCC All-Academic Team recognition ... earned Most Improved Player and Most Valuable Player honors at Southwestern ... majoring in communications.

### **Hometown: Elma, NY** **High School: Southwestern**



Jenna Sellitto

### **Elissa Swartz** **Junior**

Has been very steady throughout first two seasons ... 6-1 in doubles action in 2008 to improve to 14-2 in her career ... expected to compete for spots in both singles and doubles starting line-up ... terrific first year for Behrend Lions with a sharp 9-1 record in singles and 8-1 doubles mark ... majoring in mechanical engineering.

### **Hometown: Warren, PA** **High School: Warren**



Elissa Swartz

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## Player Profiles



Erin Bliley

### **Erin Bliley** **Sophomore**

**Hometown: Erie, PA**  
**High School: Mercyhurst Prep**

Second year player for Coach Barger ... strong rookie campaign for the blue and white ... earned 9-1 record in doubles play ... will challenge to compete on both singles and doubles teams for Behrend Lions this fall season ... majoring in mechanical engineering.



Ashley Brem

### **Ashley Brem** **Sophomore**

**Hometown: Kersey, PA**  
**High School: St. Marys**

Posted 4-2 record in singles play for Penn State Behrend Lions in 2008 ... earned AMCC Academic All-Conference honors last fall ... adds depth to deep and talented Behrend roster ... aided high school team in winning District championship ... played #2 doubles and #3 singles for St. Marys ... tabbed with Coaches Award ... major is nursing.



Jade Buhite

### **Jade Buhite** **Sophomore**

**Hometown: North Kingsville, OH**  
**High School: Edgewood**

Named women's tennis Most Improved Player in 2008 ... produced a 3-1 record in doubles play for blue and white last fall ... First Team NEC in singles and doubles ... selected as Edgewood's Most Improved Player ... pushing for court time ... member of Honor Roll ... majoring in communications.



Stephanie Cattron

### **Stephanie Cattron** **Sophomore**

**Hometown: Greenville, PA**  
**High School: Commodore Perry**

Tabbed as AMCC Newcomer of the Year ... Behrend tennis Rookie of the Year ... racked up 14 wins in singles play last fall and ranks tied for 13th for singles season victories ... earned AMCC All-League accolades on first-team singles and doubles teams last season ... AMCC Academic All-League Team ... majoring in the sciences.



Arica Christman

### **Arica Christman** **Sophomore**

**Hometown: Sharon, PA**  
**High School: Sharon**

Made impact as freshman in 2008 ... selected as AMCC Player of the Year and program's MVP ... posted 13-6 mark in singles and 10-1 record in doubles play as a rookie ... garnered AMCC All-Conference recognition on First-Team singles and doubles last fall ... tabbed to All-AMCC Academic Team ... major is undecided.



Leslie Durante

### **Leslie Durante** **Sophomore**

**Hometown: Fairview, PA**  
**High School: Fairview**

Played strong in singles play last season ... winning 14 matches against only three defeats—ranks tied for 13th for singles season wins ... named to All-AMCC squad at sixth singles in 2008 ... AMCC Player of the Week for week of September 29 ... earned AMCC All-Academic Team honors ... majoring in mechanical engineering.

**Megan Noschese**  
**Sophomore**

Picked up a year of collegiate experience last season ... worked as a doubles player in 2008 and teamed up to go 4-1 on the court ... collected AMCC All-Academic Team honors as sophomore ... named team MVP at Riverside ... majoring in accounting.

**Hometown: Ellwood City, PA**  
**High School: Riverside**



Megan Noschese

**Allison Quigley**  
**Sophomore**

Outstanding doubles player ... went 13-3 for the blue and white last fall ... tabbed to AMCC All-Conference squad at number-three doubles ... AMCC Academic All-Conference last year ... majoring in international business and finance.

**Hometown: Gibsonia, PA**  
**High School: Hampton**



Allison Quigley

**Krystal Gage**  
**Freshman**

Rookie for Coach Barger ... played for Warren Dragons ... standout doubles player ... majoring in biology.

**Hometown: Warren, PA**  
**High School: Warren**



Krystal Gage

**Alexis Rowley**  
**Freshman**

First year performer for the Behrend Lions ... suited up for Coach Nikolai at Central High School ... earned a pair of varsity letters ... majoring in chemistry.

**Hometown: Erie, PA**  
**High School: Central**



Alexis Rowley

**Mareesa Schepis**  
**Freshman**

Newcomer to the blue and white roster this fall ... competed and earned varsity letters at Moon High School ... recognized with academic scholar award ... majoring in education.

**Hometown: Moon, PA**  
**High School: Moon**



Mareesa Schepis

# Welcome to Penn State Behrend

**P**enn State Erie, The Behrend College, offers its more than 4,600 students the learning opportunities and resources of a major research university in a student-centered environment. The college offers thirty-four bachelor's, six associate, four pre-professional, and two graduate programs with twenty-two minors in four schools—the Sam and Irene Black School of Business, the School of Engineering, the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the School of Science—plus a nursing program.

Penn State Behrend is ranked among the top public colleges and universities in Pennsylvania by *U.S. News & World Report* on a number of important measures, including student-to-faculty ratio, SAT scores, first-year student retention rate, and graduation rate. More than 75 percent of our students who go on to graduate with Penn State degrees complete their degrees at the college. According to recent student surveys, 96 percent of those graduating seniors would recommend Penn State Behrend to friends considering college.

Our 725-acre campus features more than fifty buildings and is recognized as an arboretum through membership in the American Public Gardens Association. More than 1,650 students live in on-campus residence halls, suites, and apartments in buildings named for commanders and ships that took part in the Battle of Lake Erie in the War of 1812.

Campus life is enriched by more than 110 clubs and organizations. The athletic program features twenty-one NCAA Division III varsity teams—ten for men and eleven for women—as well as intramural and club sports and student fitness activities.

As part of a land-grant institution, Penn State Behrend is uniquely positioned to advance the economic, social, and intellectual welfare of northwestern Pennsylvania through research and outreach. Those outreach efforts include more than two dozen centers, programs, and initiatives for business and industry, area school students, and the community, and the college funds nearly \$250,000 in research opportunities for undergraduates every year.



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## Career Leaders

Singles Wins				Doubles Wins			
	W	L	Years		W	L	Years
1. Jamie Brubaker	58	18	1997-00	1. Mindy Calvert	50	11	2003-06
2. Allison Mudrey	59	7	2004-07	2. Allison Mudrey	49	3	2004-07
3. Mindy Calvert	46	24	2003-06	3. Christine Chan	48	21	1997-00
4. Karen Hobaugh	42	6	2006-present	4. Jamie Brubaker	42	13	1997-00
5. Christine Chan	40	16	1997-00	5. Jenna Yankowski	34	12	2003-05
Angela Albertson	40	17	1998-01	6. Christy Calvert	33	11	2006-present
6. Julie Leininger	39	3	1999-00	7. Julie Leininger	31	1	1999-00
7. Jenna Yankowski	38	13	2003-05	8. Christine Leininger	30	19	1999-00
8. Annemarie Faso	37	6	1992-93	9. Jen Morton	29	12	1998-00
10. Christy Calvert	33	11	2006-present	Karen Hobaugh	29	12	2006-present

Singles Percentage				Doubles Percentage					
	W	L	Years		W	L	Years		
1. Julie Leininger	39	3	.929	1999-00	1. Julie Leininger	31	1	.969	1999-00
2. Allison Mudrey	59	7	.894	2004-07	2. Allison Mudrey	49	3	.942	2004-07
3. Talley Sjoberg	16	2	.889	1991	3. Hillary Lasher	19	2	.905	2007-present
4. Karen Hobaugh	42	6	.875	2006-present	4. Shelley Goodpastor	25	4	.862	2004-05
5. Annemarie Faso	37	6	.860	1992-93	5. Mindy Calvert	50	11	.820	2003-06
6. Hillary Lasher	27	6	.818	2007-present	6. Jaime Brubaker	42	13	.764	1997-00
7. Shelley Goodpastor	28	7	.800	2004-05	7. Lennys Redondo	18	6	.750	1999-02
8. Jamie Brubaker	58	18	.763	1997-00	8. Christy Calvert	33	13	.717	2006-present
9. Jen Morton	30	10	.750	1998-00	9. Jen Morton	29	12	.707	1998-00
10. Jenna Yankowski	38	13	.745	2003-05	Karen Hobaugh	29	12	.707	2006-present
					10. Jenna Yankowski	22	10	.688	2003-04



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## 2008 Results

Date	Opponent	Result	Record	AMCC
Sept. 5	<b>Frostburg State*</b>	<b>W 9-0</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>1-0</b>
Sept. 6	<b>Behrend Invitational vs. Bethany</b>	<b>W 5-0</b>	<b>2-0</b>	
Sept. 6	<b>Behrend Invitational vs. Geneva</b>	<b>W 5-0</b>	<b>3-0</b>	
Sept. 6	<b>Behrend Invitational vs. Alfred</b>	<b>W 4-1</b>	<b>4-0</b>	
Sept. 10	@ Fredonia	W 7-2	5-0	
Sept. 16	<b>Fredonia</b>	<b>W 9-0</b>	<b>6-0</b>	
Sept. 18	@ Pitt-Bradford*	W 8-1	7-0	2-0
Sept. 20	<b>Oneonta</b>	<b>L 1-8</b>	<b>7-1</b>	
Sept. 20	<b>La Roche*</b>	<b>W 9-0</b>	<b>8-1</b>	<b>3-0</b>
Sept. 26	@ Westminster	L 3-6	8-2	
Sept. 27	@ Frostburg State*	W 9-0	9-2	4-0
Sept. 28	@ Penn State Altoona*	W 7-2	10-2	5-0
Sept. 28	@ La Roche*	W 9-0	11-2	6-0
Oct. 3	<b>Penn State Altoona*</b>	<b>W 9-0</b>	<b>12-2</b>	<b>7-0</b>
Oct. 4	<b>Waynesburg</b>	<b>W 9-0</b>	<b>13-2</b>	
Oct. 6	<b>Pitt-Bradford*</b>	<b>W 8-1</b>	<b>14-2</b>	<b>8-0</b>
Oct. 18	@ Grove City	L 3-6	14-3	

Home Matches in **BOLD**

\*AMCC Matches

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## 2009 Roster

<b>Name</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>Hometown/High School</b>
Erin Bliley _____	So. _____	Erie, Pa./Mercyhurst Prep
Ashley Brem _____	So. _____	Kersey, Pa./St. Marys
Jade Buhite _____	So. _____	North Kingsville, OH/Edgewood
Christy Calvert _____	Sr. _____	Warren, Pa./Mercyhurst Prep
Stephanie Cattron _____	So. _____	Greenville, Pa./Commodore Perry
Arica Christman _____	So. _____	Sharon, Pa./Sharon
Leslie Durante _____	So. _____	Fairview, Pa./Fairview
Megan Flinchbaugh _____	Jr. _____	Edinboro, Pa./General McLane
Krystal Gage _____	Fr. _____	Warren, Pa./Warren
Karen Hobaugh _____	Sr. _____	Kutztown, Pa./Kutztown
Hillary Lasher _____	Jr. _____	Lakewood, NY/Southwestern
Megan Noschese _____	So. _____	Ellwood City, Pa./Riverside
Allison Quigley _____	So. _____	Gibsonia, Pa./Hampton
Alexis Rowley _____	Fr. _____	Erie, Pa./Central Tech
Mareesa Schepis _____	Fr. _____	Moon Township, Pa./Moon
Jenna Sellitto _____	Jr. _____	Elma, NY/Iroquois
Elissa Swartz _____	Jr. _____	Warren, Pa./Warren



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## 2009 Schedule

<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Time</b>
September 4	<b>Westminster</b> _____	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>
September 5	<b>Mercyhurst</b> _____	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
September 8	@ La Roche* _____	4:00 p.m.
September 9	@ Fredonia _____	3:30 p.m.
September 11	<b>Frostburg State*</b> _____	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>
September 12	<b>Behrend Invitational</b> _____	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>
September 16	@ Pitt-Bradford* _____	4:00 p.m.
September 18	@ D'Youville* _____	4:00 p.m.
September 19	<b>Penn State Altoona*</b> _____	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
September 23	<b>La Roche*</b> _____	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>
September 29	<b>Pitt-Bradford*</b> _____	<b>4:00 p.m.</b>
September 30	<b>Grove City</b> _____	<b>3:00 p.m.</b>
October 3	@ Goucher Invitational _____	TBA
October 4	@ Goucher Invitational _____	TBA
October 7	<b>D'Youville*</b> _____	<b>3:30 p.m.</b>
October 9	@ Frostburg State* _____	4:00 p.m.
October 17	@ AMCC Championships* _____ @ Oxford Club, Wexford, PA	3:00 p.m.
October 18	@ AMCC Championships* _____ @ Oxford Club, Wexford, PA	9:00 a.m.

Home Matches in **BOLD**

\*AMCC Games

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