



# FOOTBALL 2007

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## CURRENT REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through October 6, 2007)

School	PAC Games					All Games				
	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA
Waynesburg University	2	0	1.00	47	23	5	0	1.00	162	94
Washington & Jefferson College	1	0	1.00	28	12	5	0	1.00	226	78
Thomas More College	2	2	.500	64	56	3	2	.600	104	80
Grove City College	2	2	.500	89	72	2	4	.333	108	105
Westminster College	1	1	.500	21	41	3	2	.600	96	91
Thiel College	1	2	.333	55	49	2	4	.333	78	113
Bethany College	0	2	.000	28	73	2	3	.400	131	115
Geneva College*						4	2	.667	141	85
Saint Vincent College*						0	5	.000	53	252

\* - NCAA Division III provisional member - not eligible for 2007 PAC championship or player of the week honors

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS (October 6)

WAYNESBURG 42, Saint Vincent 20\*  
 GROVE CITY 35, Bethany 16\*  
 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 28, Thiel 12\*  
 THOMAS MORE 34, Westminster 7\*<sup>^</sup>  
 Salisbury 20, GENEVA 7

<sup>^</sup> - at Dixie Heights H.S. - Edgewood, Ky.

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (October 13)

Grove City at Thiel\* - 1 p.m.  
 Thomas More at Saint Vincent\* - 1:30 p.m.  
 Washington & Jefferson at Westminster\* - 1:30 p.m.  
 Waynesburg at Bethany\* - 2 p.m.  
 Geneva - open

## PAC Offensive Player of the Week

**Andrew DiDonato**  
 Grove City  
 Sophomore QB  
 6-0, 195  
 Bridgeville, Pa.  
 South Fayette H.S.



DiDonato accounted for 267 yards of total offense in the Wolverines' 36-15 PAC win over Bethany on Saturday. He completed 13-of-21 passes for 190 yards and one touchdown, while adding 77 yards rushing and a score on 19 carries.

Also nominated was freshman RB **Marcus Santini** of Bethany, senior QB **Marc LaScola** of Thiel, freshman QB **Joey Zerhusen** of Thomas More, senior WR **Tom McCafferty** of Washington & Jefferson, and freshman RB **Robert Heller** of Waynesburg.

## PAC Defensive Player of the Week

**David Gitlitz**  
 Wash. & Jeff.  
 Junior LB  
 6-3, 245  
 Columbus, Ohio  
 Bexley H.S.



Gitlitz recorded a game-high 14 tackles (0.5 for a loss) to help W&J stay unbeaten with a 28-12 PAC home win over Thiel Saturday. He also intercepted a pass and returned it 27 yards midway through the fourth quarter to set up the Presidents' final score.

Also nominated was sophomore DB **Nelson Mitzen** of Bethany, junior FS **Zach Fulmer** of Grove City, senior LB **Michael Stimac** of Thiel, freshman LB **David Dransman** of Thomas More, sophomore S **Ryan Krull** of Waynesburg, and junior DE **Andrew Robison** of Westminster.

## PAC Special Teams Player of the Week

**Dustin Zink**  
 Thomas More  
 Freshman PK  
 5-9, 185  
 Newport, Ky.  
 Newport Central  
 Catholic H.S.



Zink converted all six of his kick attempts in a 34-7 home PAC win over Westminster, going 2-for-2 in field goals (28, 20) and 4-for-4 in extra point conversion attempts.

Also nominated was junior CB **Mike Baker** of Grove City, senior PK/P **Sammy Koyl** of Thiel, junior P **Zack Zebrasky** of Washington & Jefferson, sophomore KR/PR **Scott Cree** of Waynesburg, and senior P **Dusty Rhodes** of Westminster.

## PAC FOOTBALL CAPSULES

### Bethany Bison



Grove City scored 21 unanswered points to break a 15-15 tie and claim a 36-15 victory over the Bison Saturday ... Bethany trailed 12-7 at halftime, with their score coming on a three-yard TD run by RB **Marcus Santini** ... BC tied the score late in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter on a 49-yard TD pass from **Milton Joyner** to **Matt Cruse** and a two-point run from Santini ... The Bison suffered the loss despite having more yards (445-396) and first downs (24-20) than GCC ... Santini led a ground game that gained 224 yards by rushing for 151 on 21 carries ... Joyner threw for 193 yards in the loss, with five balls going to Cruse for 95 yards ... Defensively, FS **Nelson Mitzen** had a career-high 12 tackles and SS **Brandon Zeman** made nine stops.

### Saint Vincent Bearcats



The Bearcats lost their fifth straight, falling to Waynesburg 42-20 ... Waynesburg took advantage of a number of early SVC miscues and jumped out to a 28-0 lead 11 minutes into the game ... After a scoreless second quarter, Waynesburg scored again early in the third before SVC's offense came to life ... QB **Mike Speal** and RB **Logan Small** found the end zone on the ground, and **Mike Wampler** caught a late 64-yard score thrown by QB **Jimmy Nagle** ... The Bearcat defense turned in its best performance of the season, allowing a total of 290 yards, and just 88 through the air ... **Tom Quirin** hauled in four receptions for 46 yards ... LB **Jeff Graham** had eight tackles.

### Washington & Jefferson Presidents



The ninth-ranked Presidents stayed unbeaten after taking down Thiel, 28-12, on Homecoming Day at Cameron Stadium ... W&J has defeated Thiel 25 times in the past 26 years ... Head coach **Mike Sirianni** earned his 45<sup>th</sup> win at W&J and is only seven wins shy of tying **D.C. Morrow** for second place on the all-time list ... Senior WR **Tom McCafferty** caught five passes for 109 yards and two touchdowns, while junior QB **Bobby Swallow** completed 18-of-30 passes for 230 yards and three scores ... Swallow had his streak of 163 regular-season pass attempts without an interception come to an end in the third quarter ... Defensively, junior LB **David Gitlitz** led the way with 14 tackles.

### Geneva Golden Tornadoes



Playing against the 13<sup>th</sup> ranked team in NCAA Division III, Geneva's defense again rose to the occasion and held Salisbury to 20 points, which was 23 points below its average for the year ... Despite that effort, Geneva's offense was unable to capitalize on several chances in the red zone and dropped a 20-7 decision ... Geneva will enjoy its only bye week of the season coming up before preparing to travel to Thomas More on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

### Thiel Tomcats



Thiel dropped to 1-2 in the PAC with its 28-12 loss at W&J Saturday ... The Tomcats managed a 6-0 first quarter lead, but the Presidents went on to outscore the visitors 28-6 over the final 45 minutes ... **Marc LaScola**, in his first career start under center, finished 16-of-38 passing for 113 yards and rushed for a game-high 84 yards on 19 carries with a TD ... Junior WR **Tim Van Horn** caught six passes for 45 yards ... Senior LB **Mike Stimac** registered 6.5 tackles, 0.5 tackle for loss and a forced fumble to pace the defensive unit ... The Presidents finished with a 380-277 advantage in total yards despite Thiel's 83-59 edge in offensive plays and 36:20-23:40 advantage in time of possession.

### Waynesburg Yellow Jackets



The Yellow Jackets used a 28-point first quarter to cruise to a 42-20 Homecoming victory over Saint Vincent Saturday ... The high-light-filled first frame featured two interceptions by sophomore S **Ryan Krull**, with one returned for a touchdown, a blocked punt by Krull, two TD runs by freshman RB **Robert Heller** and a score by senior FB **Aaron Davis** ... Heller finished the game with 130 rushing yards and three touchdowns on 20 attempts in limited action and became only the fifth player in school history to rush for 1,000 yards in a single season ... The defensive unit, led by seven tackles (five solo) by LB **Brendon Steele**, allowed only 24 rushing yards and forced five turnovers.

### Grove City Wolverines



Grove City evened its PAC record at 2-2 with a 36-15 Homecoming victory over Bethany ... Grove City broke the game open with two touchdowns in a 52-second span midway through the second half ... **Andrew DiDonato's** 13-yard TD run with seven seconds left in the third quarter gave GCC a 21-15 lead ... Following a **Zach Fulmer** interception, the Wolverines extended the lead to 29-15 on **Ian Tobin's** one-yard run and subsequent conversion ... CB **Mike Baker** recovered a muffed punt in the end zone to seal the win ... It was Baker's first career score ... The Wolverines last scored exactly 36 points in a game in 1963, when Grove City whipped Brockport State, 36-7.

### Thomas More Saints



Freshman QB **Joey Zerhusen**, in his first collegiate start, threw for two touchdowns and ran for another, as the Saints evened their PAC record at 2-2 with a 34-7 home win over Westminster ... He finished the game with 184 yards passing and 32 yards rushing ... Senior **David Dransman** turned in a career performance with two sacks, one forced fumble, an interception and six tackles ... Sophomore **Cordario Collier** led a rushing attack that amassed 140 total yards with 76 on 17 carries ... Freshman **Dwayne Curry** scored his first collegiate touchdown ... Freshman **Dustin Zink** connected on his first two career field goals and went 3-for-3 in extra points.

### Westminster Titans



Westminster suffered a 34-7 loss at Thomas More Saturday in PAC action ... The Titans, entering the game with the seventh-ranked defense in the country (201 yards per game), surrendered 324 yards against the Saints ... Sophomore QB **Kevin Franz** finished the game 19-of-27 passing for 116 yards and an interception, while sophomore TB **Nick McKolosky** rushed 19 times for 76 yards, with all but two yards coming in the second half ... The Titans scored their lone touchdown when senior reserve QB **Brett Myers** completed a 7-yard pass to freshman FB **Jacob Shaffer** ... Freshman LB **Adam Falkowski** led the Titans with 11 tackles while making his first career start.

## WEEK 7 PAC FOOTBALL PREVIEWS



### Grove City (2-4, 2-2 PAC) at Thiel (2-4, 1-2 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 13 - 1 p.m.  
Alumni Stadium (1,400/turf) - Greenville, Pa.



Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1) in Grove City; WPIC-AM (790) in Hermitage; [www2.gcc.edu/sports:www.msasportsnetwork.com](http://www2.gcc.edu/sports:www.msasportsnetwork.com);

**Series Record:** Grove City leads 55-34-5

**Game Notes:** Grove City and Thiel will square off for the Mercer County Cup Saturday in Greenville ... It is the 24<sup>th</sup> Cup game ... Grove City leads the Cup series 14-9, but Thiel has won each of the last three years and is 5-1 in the last six meetings ... Thiel has blanked Grove City each of the last two years, 30-0 and 20-0 ... The Wolverines' 54 wins against Thiel are the program's most against any other school ... Thiel is Grove City's most-frequently played opponent ... Grove City last won at Thiel in 2003, 16-15 ... Thiel wraps up the home portion of its 2007 schedule Saturday ... Junior TB **Dan Hess** ran for 113 yards and three touchdowns (7, 1, 2) in the win and the Tomcat defense limited the Wolverines to -4 rushing yards in the 20-0 Thiel win last year ... The Tomcats have outscored the Wolverines 152-55 over their last six meetings.



### Thomas More (3-2) at Saint Vincent (0-5)

Saturday, Oct. 13 - 1:30 p.m.  
Chuck Noll Field (1,050/grass) - Latrobe, Pa.



Radio/TV: WCNS-AM (1480) in Latrobe; [www.redzonemedia.com](http://www.redzonemedia.com);

**Series Record:** First meeting

**Game Notes:** Saint Vincent host Thomas More Saturday in Latrobe in the first-ever meeting between the two programs ... The Bearcats are still looking for their first win in their first gridiron season since 1962, while the Saints snapped a two-game losing streak with a 34-7 home win over Westminster Saturday.



### Washington & Jefferson (5-0, 1-0 PAC) at Westminster (3-2, 1-1 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 13 - 1:30 p.m.  
Harold Burry Stadium (4,500/grass) - New Wilmington, Pa.



Radio/TV: WJPA-AM (1450) in Washington; WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington; [www.wjpa.com/sports.htm](http://www.wjpa.com/sports.htm); [www.titanradio.net](http://www.titanradio.net); Westminster Cable Network (WCN)

**Series Record:** W&J leads 26-2

**Game Notes:** Washington & Jefferson, nationally ranked in the Top 10, travels to New Wilmington to face Westminster ... The defending PAC champions have won the last six meetings vs. Westminster, while outscoring the Titans 49.6-13.6 in the last three meetings ... However, this is the first time Westminster enters the W&J game with a winning record since 2002 (Titans lost 29-21) ... W&J ran out to a 28-7 halftime lead last year and finished with a 472-276 yardage advantage during a 50-7 Homecoming Day win at Cameron Stadium ... The Titans have never defeated the Presidents in New Wilmington ... Westminster's last win in the series came during the 2000 season at Cameron Stadium by a 19-17 margin ... With Mike Sirianni as head coach, W&J has outscored the Titans, 175-58, in four meetings ... W&J is one of three schools (Pitt 1-14-1, West Virginia 1-12) that the Titans trail in the all-time series by 10 or more games. ... The game features the top two quarterbacks in the PAC, as W&J junior **Bobby Swallow** is averaging 304.0 passing yards per game and Westminster sophomore **Kevin Franz** has a 198.8 average ... Last year when the two teams met, Franz was first with 206.4 and Swallow as second with 173.2 ... Franz finished 2006 first with a 209.0 average and Swallow third at 168.5.



### Waynesburg (5-0, 2-0 PAC) at Bethany (2-3, 0-2 PAC)

Saturday, Oct. 13 - 2 p.m.  
Bethany Field (1,000/grass) - Bethany, W.Va.



Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7) in Waynesburg; WVBC-FM (88.1) in Bethany; [www.waynesburg.edu:www.teamline.cc](http://www.waynesburg.edu:www.teamline.cc) (code 3724);

**Series Record:** Waynesburg leads 25-14-7

**Game Notes:** Bethany and Waynesburg lock horns on the gridiron in a series that dates back to the 1899 season ... Waynesburg has claimed five straight meetings by an average of 29 points, including a 41-15 victory last year ... The Bison's last win in the series was a 34-7 triumph in 2001 ... The running games will play a key part in deciding Saturday's winner, as Bethany's ground attack has gained 192 or more yards in four out of five games this season and is going against a Yellow Jacket defense that is surrendering just 45.2 rushing yards per game ... BC, who is giving up more than 226 yards per game on the ground, must find a way to contain Waynesburg's **Robert Heller**, who is averaging 208 yards and three TDs per game on the ground ... Waynesburg enters this weekend 5-0 for the first time since the 1978 season ... Both teams average over 230 rushing yards/game, however the Yellow Jackets only allow a conference-best 45.2 rushing yards/game.