

MEN'S BASKETBALL 2007-08

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Current 2007-08 Regular Season Standings (through January 6, 2008)

	PAC Games			All G	All Games		
<u>School</u>	\underline{W}	<u>L</u>	Pct.	\underline{W}	<u>L</u>	Pct.	
Grove City College	2	0	1.00	8	4	.667	
Thomas More College	3	1	.750	6	6	.500	
Bethany College	2	1	.667	6	6	.500	
Washington & Jefferson College	1	1	.500	4	6	.400	
Waynesburg University	1	2	.333	6	5	.545	
Thiel College	1	2	.333	5	5	.500	
Westminster College	0	3	.000	2	11	.154	
Saint Vincent College*				8	3	.727	
Geneva College*				7	5	.583	

^{* -} NCAA Division III provisional member - ineligible for PAC title and Player of the Week honors

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS
Tuesday, December 18, 2007
La Roche 70, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 67
Westminster 77, PITT-GREENSBURG 62
CENTRE 71, Thomas More 56

Thursday, December 20, 2007 MUSKINGUM 72, Washington & Jefferson 55

Saturday, December 22, 2007 KENYON 69, Washington & Jefferson 58

Friday, December 28, 2007 Geneva 103, FLORIDA CHRISTIAN 66

Saturday, December 29, 2007
WEBBER INTERNATIONAL 81, Geneva 70
SAINT VINCENT 92, Ohio-Eastern 62
Lewis & Clark 72, Westminster 54 (at Phoenix, AZ)
Grove City 72, Frostburg State 53\$
MARIETTA 98, Waynesburg 85\$
DEFIANCE 69, Thiel 49@
WASHINGTON & LEE 77, Thomas More 54#

Sunday, December 30, 2007 Waynesburg 91, Frostburg State 79\$ MARIETTA 95, Grove City 85\$ Loras 73, Thiel 59@ Thomas More 76, Rhodes 65#

Monday, December 31, 2007 Wisconsin-River Falls 77, Westminster 73 (at Phoenix, AZ)

Wednesday, January 2, 2008 Lake Erie 73, BETHANY 70

Friday, January 4, 2008 John Carroll 55, Grove City 51[^]

Saturday, January 5, 2008
Bethany 69, THIEL 65*
WAYNESBURG 91, Thomas More 83*
Washington & Jefferson 78, WESTMINSTER 64*
GENEVA 92, Saint Vincent 88* (ot)
Grove City 83, Briarcliffe 68^

\$ - at Marietta Shrine Classic - Marietta, Ohio @ - at Defiance Purple & Gold Invitational - Defiance, Ohio # - at Washington & Lee Invitational - Lexington, Va. ^ - at DeSales Casa Mia Tournament - Center Valley, Pa. UPCOMING SCHEDULE
Wednesday, January 9, 2008
Thomas More at Grove City* - 7 p.m.
Geneva at Hiram - 7 p.m.
Saint Vincent at Bethany* - 8 p.m.
Thiel at Washington & Jefferson* - 8 p.m.
Waynesburg at Westminster* - 8 p.m.

Saturday, January 12, 2008
Bethany at Grove City* - 3 p.m.
Washington & Jefferson at Thomas More* - 3 p.m.
Geneva at Waynesburg* - 7:30 p.m.
Thiel at Saint Vincent* - 8 p.m.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

JOSH PARISI Waynesburg University

6-5 Senior Forward Ambridge, Pa. Ambridge H.S.

Parisi averaged 21.0 points and 8.3 rebounds for the 2-1 Yellow Jackets over the holiday break, as Waynesburg rebounded from a 98-85 loss at Marietta



with wins over Frostburg State (91-79) and PAC rival Thomas More (91-83), which was previously unbeaten in league play. He shot 63 percent (22-of-35) in the three games while adding 11 assists and four blocks. He posted a double-double with 17 points and 12 rebounds in the TMC victory.

Also nominated was senior G Brody Jackson of Bethany, junior G Ryan Gibson of Grove City, junior F Mark Tinklenberg of Thomas More, junior C Josip Lucic-Jozak of Washington & Jefferson, and senior G Craig Hannon of Westminster.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison



After losing their third in a row to open the week, Bethany got back on the winning track with a victory at Thiel ... BC rallied to tie Wednesday's

game with Lake Erie at 70 after trailing by 17 in the second half ... However, the Storm scored the final three points ... **Brody Jackson** and **Tyler Morando** each scored 14 in the setback, while **Ryan Besancon** had 11 and **Marcus Adams** scored 10 ... Against Thiel, the Bison squandered a 14-point second half lead, but tallied seven of the game's final nine points to win their 10th straight over the Tomcats, 69-65 ... Jackson led BC with 15 markers, while **Dakota Matz** came off the bench to score 14 and Besancon just missed a double-double with 13 points and nine rebounds.

Saint Vincent Bearcats



The Bearcats dropped their first game of 2008 by a 92-88 count in overtime at longtime rival Geneva ... Saint Vincent led 44-38 at halftime, but the Golden Tornadoes

outscored the Bearcats 54-44 over the final 25 minutes of play ... Four players scored in double figures for SVC, including Joey Butler (20 points), Billy Bains (16), lan McCollough (13), and Tre'sor Kalambay (11) ... Butler added game-highs in assists (6) and steals (5) ... As a team, SVC shot 55 percent from the field (35-65) ... Over the holiday break, the Bearcats recorded a 92-62 hom non-conference win over Ohio-Eastern.

Geneva Golden Tornadoes



GOLDEN TORNADOES

After splitting a pair of games during a week long trip to Florida, the Golden Tornadoes got back to work on their home floor Saturday

and won a back-and-forth contest against long time rival Saint Vincent ... Scoring the final eight points of the overtime session, Geneva improved to 7-5 overall, including a 5-2 mark at Metheny Fieldhouse ... Sophomore Bryan Hill knocked down eight three-pointers to match a career high, while scoring a career-best 31 points ... His biggest shots were a pair of free throws in the final moments of overtime to put the game away ... Greg McDivitt scored 21 points in the victory and became the 33rd player in school history to reach the 1,000 point plateau for his career.

Thiel Tomcats



The Tomcats have dropped three straight after returning to campus from the holiday break, losing to Defiance and Loras at Defiance's Purple &

Gold Tournament Dec. 29-30 and to PAC rival Bethany 69-65 last Saturday at Beeghly Gymnasium ... Freshman G **Devon Adams** score a career-best 22 points to go along with five rebounds and five assists against the Bison ... Senior F **Joe Herrmann** added 15 points and four boards... Thiel finished shooting 48.1 percent (26-54) from the floor and hit 5-of-13 (38.5%) three-point chances in the Bethany loss.

Grove City Wolverines



Grove City went 2-2 over the holidays ... Junior G Ryan Gibson and sophomore C Andy O'Keefe both earned All-Tournament honors at the

Marietta Shrine Classic Dec. 29-30 ... O'Keefe shot 12-of-20 from the field during the two games and averaged 16.5 points per game ... O'Keefe and **Shawn Carr** both had 18 points in a 72-53 win over Frostburg State ... Gibson led GCC with 17 points in a 95-85 setback against Marietta in the de facto title game (pairings were predetermined) ... Gibson also earned All-Tournament at DeSales' Casa Mia Tournament Jan. 4-5 ... Carr had nine points in a hard-fought 55-51 semifinal loss against John Carroll Jan. 4 ... O'Keefe scored 18 in an 83-68 consolation win over Briarcliffe Saturday.

Thomas More Saints



Thomas More suffered its first PAC loss of the season, falling to Waynesburg, 91-83 ... In the Saints' only win, a 76-65 decision

over Rhodes, junior **Mark Tinklenberg** recorded his third double-double of the season with 24 points and 11 rebounds ... For the break, Tinklenberg led the Saints with 18.3 points and 7.3 rebounds with three assists and two steals ... Junior **Matty Owens** added 15 points and seven rebounds in the loss to Waynesburg.

Washington & Jefferson Presidents



The Presidents snapped a six-game losing streak by defeating Westminster Saturday in New Wilmington ... The victory was the first for W&J since the 1939-40 season in New Wilmington

(24 tries) ... Junior C Josip Lucic-Jozak contributed 25 points and eight rebounds, while junior F Wahab Owolabi added 21 points and nine boards ... The Presidents limited the Titans to six-second half field goals ... Sophomore G Albert Varacallo led the Presidents in scoring twice over the holiday break with a 19-point performance versus La Roche and 17 in a loss to Muskingum ... W&J leads the PAC in scoring defense (64.3 ppg), but scores a league-low 62.6 points per contest.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets



The Yellow Jackets won two of three games during the holiday break, including a 91-83 PAC victory over Thomas More ... Waynesburg

opened the Shrine Classic on Dec. 29 with a loss to host Marietta, despite a combined 44 points from seniors **Tim Drakeley** and **Josh Parisi** ... Senior G **Jered Gamble** added eight points and a career-high 11 assists ... The next night, the Yellow Jackets claimed a 91-79 victory behind 28 points from Drakeley, while Parisi added 25 points and eight rebounds ... In the win over the Saints, Parisi posted a double-double with 17 points and 12 rebounds ... Drakeley again led the team with 18 points.

Westminster Titans



Westminster posted a 1-3 record over the holidays, including a 77-62 win at Pitt-Greensburg, two losses at the Trip

Sports Classic in Phoenix, Ariz., to Lewis & Clark (54-72) and Wisconsin-River Falls (73-77) and a 78-64 PAC home loss to W&J ... Craig Hannon averaged 16 points per game during the four games, including a season-high 27 in the loss to W&J ... Hannon became Westminster's all-time leader in career 3-pointers as he enters the week with 323 ... Hannon also moved into eighth place on the school's career scoring list with 1,451 points ... Sophomore F Ryne Murray also averaged 15 points and 10 rebounds in the four games, including 24 points vs. UP-G and double-doubles in both Arizona games.

PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

Bethany Bison



vs. Saint Vincent (1/9) at Grove City* (1/12) (GRO game - code 3724 www.teamline.cc)

The Bison open the week by hosting Saint

Vincent Wednesday ... BC swept both contests from the Bearcats a year ago, winning 107-105 in double OT in Latrobe and claiming a 76-73 decision at home ... **Brody Jackson** averaged 21.5 points, 5.5 rebounds and 4.0 assists in the two victories, which gives Bethany 5-3 series advantage over SVC ... Saturday, the Bison travel to the defending PAC champions, Grove City ... The Wolverines lead the series between the schools 47-31, including a 72-58 home victory over BC last year ... Last year's GCC win snapped Bethany's nine-game winning streak over the Wolverines.

Saint Vincent Bearcats



at Bethany* (1/9) vs. Thiel* (1/12) (WCNS-AM (1480); www.redzonemedia.com)

The Bearcats will look to avenge two close losses to Bethany a season ago

by scores of 76-73 and 107-105 in a doubleovertime thriller ... SVC swept its season series with Thiel last year, beating the Tomcats 72-55 and 77-73 ... **Billy Bains** averaged 16.5 points in the two wins.

Geneva Golden Tornadoes



at Hiram (1/9) at Waynesburg* (1/12) (WAY game-WBVP-AM(1230): www.msasportsnetwork.com)

Geneva and Waynesburg renew a rivalry

that started in the 1909-10 season ... Geneva leads the all-time series 68-55, but the teams have not met since Geneva swept the season series back in the 1989-90 campaign ... On Wednesday night, Geneva will travel to Hiram to meet Terriers for the first time since 1915.

Thiel Tomcats



at Wash. & Jeff.* (1/9) at Saint Vincent* (1/12)

The Tomcats will travel to W&J and Saint Vincent this week ... W&J holds a 74-32 all-time series lead

against Thiel and has won six of the last seven meetings, including both last season ... Thiel owns an 8-7 all-time mark against Saint Vincent despite dropping both meetings last season ... With his 145 points this season, senior F **Joe Herrmann** has moved into fourth place on the career scoring chart with 1,252 points ... He needs 332 points to pass **A.H. Davis** '04 for the top spot.

Grove City Wolverines



vs. Thomas More* (1/9) vs. Bethany* (1/12)

Grove City returns to PAC play this week with a pair of home games ... Thomas More visits the GCC

Arena Wednesday at 7 p.m. ... The Wolverines have swept the Saints each of the last two years, including a 101-65 win on Hall of Fame Day in Grove City Feb. 17, 2007 ... Saturday, the Wolverines host Bethany at 3 p.m. ... Grove City downed the Bison 72-58 in Grove City Feb. 3, 2007, snapping the Bison's six-game win streak at the College Arena ... Bethany had won nine straight overall against Grove City until that game ... Grove City leads the all-time series with Bethany, 47-31 ... The Wolverines have won 10 of their last 11 home games.

Thomas More Saints



at Grove City* (1/9) vs. W&J* (1/12) (W&J game - Insight Comm. TV - Chs. 22/21)

Thomas More travels to Grove City on

Wednesday, and trails the series, 5-0, including a 101-65 loss in the season finale last season ... The Saints will return home for the first time in more than a month when the host Washington & Jefferson ... TMC trails the overall series, 6-3, but has lost all five games against the Presidents as members of the PAC.

Washington & Jefferson Presidents



vs. Thiel* (1/9) at Thomas More* (1/12)

The Presidents and Tomcats will battle for the 107th time in history on Saturday with W&J leading the series by a 74-32 margin ... W&J

has won six of the last seven meetings between the two schools and has not lost to Thiel during the regular season since Feb. 11, 2004 in Washington (TC 77, W&J 72) ... The Presidents lead the all-time series with Thomas More by a 6-3 count ... The Presidents have won all five games since Thomas More joined the PAC, including three victories last year by an average of 20.0 points per win.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets



at Westminster* (1/9) vs. Geneva* (1/12) (Both games - WCYJ-FM (88.7); GEN only -WCTV-TV (Ch. 14)

The Yellow Jackets continue PAC play on Wednesday with a road game against Westminster ... The Titans lead the all-time series by a 90-54 margin after sweeping the season series last year ... In seven career games against Westminster, senior F **Josh Parisi** is averaging 10.3 points and 7.0 rebounds a game ... Waynesburg then hosts former NAIA rival and PAC newcomer Geneva on Saturday ... The meeting between the Yellow Jackets and Golden Tornadoes is the 124th all-time, but the first since the 1989-90 season.

Westminster Titans



vs. Waynesburg* (1/9) (WWNW-FM (88.9); www.titanradio.net)

Westminster won both games vs. Waynesburg

last year, including an 84-82 overtime victory at home in the team's last meeting ... **David Richards** assisted on the game-winning lay-up by **Ryan Ricketts** ... **Chauncey Whitlow** also made six 3-pointers for 18 points ... Waynesburg last defeated the Titans in the 2006 PAC tournament, 87-75, at Westminster.