



# MEN'S BASKETBALL 2006-07

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## Current 2006-07 Regular Season Standings (through December 17)

School	PAC Games			All Games		
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Bethany College	1	0	1.00	8	3	.727
Waynesburg College	1	0	1.00	5	2	.714
Westminster College	1	0	1.00	4	4	.500
Thomas More College	0	0	.000	0	8	.000
Grove City College	0	1	.000	3	5	.375
Thiel College	0	1	.000	3	5	.375
Washington & Jefferson College	0	1	.000	1	8	.111
Saint Vincent College*	0	0	.000	7	2	.778

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

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

#### **Monday, December 11**

Bethany 86, PENN STATE-ALTOONA 64  
Grove City 76, KENYON 70  
WESTMINSTER 73, Penn State-Behrend 55

#### **Wednesday, December 13**

Bethany 62, MARIETTA 55  
ALLEGHENY 49, Thiel 42  
Hiram 97, GROVE CITY 93 (2ot)

#### **Thursday, December 14**

WAYNESBURG 83, La Roche 69

#### **Saturday, December 16**

THIEL 63, Hiram 62  
Transylvania 77, THOMAS MORE 72  
BETHANY 123, Mount Aloysius 105  
Saint Vincent 74, FRANCISCAN 61

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

#### **Monday, December 18**

Washington & Jefferson at Defiance - 7 p.m.  
Centre at Thomas More - 7:30 p.m.

#### **Tuesday, December 19**

Lake Erie at Saint Vincent - 7 p.m.  
Frostburg State at Waynesburg - 7:30 p.m.  
Pitt-Greensburg at Westminster - 7:30 p.m.

#### **Wednesday-Thursday, December 20-21**

W&J Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic - 6 & 8 p.m.

#### **Thursday, December 21**

Westminster at Hanover - 6 p.m.  
Cincinnati-Clermont at Thomas More - 7:30 p.m.

#### **Friday-Saturday, December 29-30**

Grove City at McDonalds of Bluffton Tournament  
Thiel at Wittenberg Zimmerman Memorial Classic  
Thomas More at Westmont (Calif.) Tournament  
Westminster at Marietta Shrine Tournament

## PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

### **JAMES WALLACE**

#### **Bethany College**

6-4 Senior Forward  
Bellaire, Ohio/Linsly H.S.



Wallace earned his second PAC Player of the Week honor this year after averaging 18.7 points, 4.0 rebounds and 2.7 assists per game in a 3-0 week for the Bison. Bethany topped Penn State-Altoona (86-64), Marietta (62-55) and Mount Aloysius (123-105) last week. Wallace, who shot 74 percent from the field (26-of-35) during the week, posted a career-high 28 points against Mount Aloysius and a game-high 19 at Marietta.

Also nominated was sophomore G **Ryan Gibson** of Grove City, junior F **Joe Herrmann** of Thiel, senior G **Jeff Linden** of Waynesburg, and junior F/G **Chauncey Whitlow** of Westminster.

# PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



## Bethany Bison

Bethany went 3-0 last week to run their win streak to four ... The week began with an 86-64 victory over Penn State-Altoona, as the Bison built a 41-22 halftime lead behind 8-of-12 shooting beyond the arc ... **Brody Jackson** scored a season-high 19 and **Ryan Besancon** recorded his second straight double-double with 14 points and 11 boards ... Wednesday, BC slugged its way to a 62-55 win at Marietta, despite being out-rebounded 48-26 ... **James Wallace** led the way with 19 points, while Besancon totaled 14 markers and nine boards ... The semester closed with a 123-105 victory over Mount Aloysius, the fourth-most points ever scored by a Bison team ... Wallace (28), **Marc Palermo** (21) and **Nate Stoner** (12) all set career-highs for points.



## Thiel Tomcats

Thiel finished the week 1-1 ... The Tomcats dropped a 49-42 decision at Allegheny Wednesday before posting a 63-62 victory over Hiram Saturday in their first home game of the season ... Against Allegheny, junior F **Joe Herrmann** was the Tomcats' leading scorer with 13 points to go along with nine rebounds with five blocks ... Sophomore G **Brandon Mirizio** scored nine, while freshman F **Greg Hawes** tallied nine rebounds and five blocks ... Freshman G **Cory Chafee** led the way in scoring against Hiram with 16 points, while adding five steals, two rebounds and two assists ... Herrmann finished with 14 points, 10 rebounds and five blocks while junior G **Sharron Summerville** netted 13.



## Washington & Jefferson Presidents

Washington & Jefferson was idle last week, but returns to action this week with three games ... W&J travels to Defiance on Monday for a 7:00 pm contest ... On Wednesday and Thursday, the Presidents will host the Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic.



## Westminster Titans

Westminster won its third straight game Monday with a 73-55 non-conference win over visiting Penn St.-Behrend ... The Titans (4-4) trailed by seven points (15-8) early before taking a 38-34 lead into halftime ... Five different Titans scored in double figures, led by junior F/G **Chauncey Whitlow** and senior F/G **Dom Joseph** with 12 points apiece ... Junior G **Craig Hannon** and senior G **Nick Adams** each scored 11 points on identical 4-for-8 shooting from the floor (3-of-7 from 3-point range) ... Sophomore F **Steve Bielich** scored 10 points, while he and Joseph led the Titans with five rebounds apiece ... The Titans shot 51.9 percent (27-52) from the floor, compared to the Lions' 41.5 percent (22-53), and also held a slight 31-29 rebounding advantage.



## Grove City Wolverines

The Wolverines went 1-1 last week in non-conference play, including a 76-70 road win at Kenyon ... Four GCC starters reached double figures, led by **Ryan Gerber's** career-high 23-point effort ... **Craig Hallman** added 16 points while **Ryan Gibson** posted 13 points and six assists ... **Joe Capotosta** tossed in 10 points ... Senior **Mark Smith** made his first start of the season at Kenyon and grabbed six rebounds ... Wednesday, the Wolverines dropped their third overtime game of the season, falling 97-93 to visiting Hiram in double overtime ... Capotosta sent the game to overtime with a three-pointer at the end of regulation while Gibson drained a game-tying jumper at the end of the first OT ... Gibson had 20 points and seven assists while **Shawn Carr** fired in 16 points and pulled in eight rebounds.



## Thomas More Saints

After taking the week off for exams, Thomas More returned to the court against Transylvania ... Although the Saints didn't walk away with the win, the five-point loss showed marked improvement in two weeks ... The Pioneers handed TMC a 36-point loss in the previous match-up this season ... Senior **Ed Thornton** led the Saints with 14 points and has now played in 75 of possible 80 minutes in the last two games ... Junior **Brad Buckner** continued his steady performance inside, scoring 12 points and grabbing six boards ... The starting backcourt of **Jeremy Abell** and **Erik Marting** scored 11 points each, with 19 of the 22 markers coming in the second half.



## Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Senior G **Jeff Linden** paced four Waynesburg players in double figures with 24 points, as the Yellow Jackets extended their win streak to four games Thursday with an 83-69 victory over La Roche ... Waynesburg shot a season-best 55.8 percent from the floor, including 53.3 percent from three-point territory ... Linden tied his season- and career-high with 24 points on 8-of-12 attempts, including 3-of-4 from beyond the arc ... The score was tied 22-22 with 6:07 left in the first half before Waynesburg took control with a 17-6 run ... Junior G **Tim Drakeley** posted 15 points off the bench, while senior G **Marc Lodovico** added 13 ... Fellow senior **Beau Wilson** netted 12 points, while junior F **Josh Parisi** led the Yellow Jackets with six rebounds and also added six assists and five blocks - both career-highs.



## Saint Vincent Bearcats

The Bearcats extended their win streak to six games with their second win over Franciscan in two weeks, as Saint Vincent posted a 74-61 road victory in Steubenville Saturday ... **Billy Bains** scored 18 points, **Tre'sor Kalambay** added 16 and **Jonny Hasson** had 15 in the win for SVC.

## PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS



### **Bethany Bison**

**No Games Scheduled**

The Bison are done for the first semester and will return to action Jan. 3 at Lake Erie ... At 8-3, the Bison are one game better than they were last year at this time, when they went on to finish 23-5 ... Although the Bison lost nearly 60 percent of their offense from last year's team, they are still the top-ranked scoring squad in the conference, averaging 87.7 points per game ... However, last year, BC had just two players scoring in double figures and three overall averaging eight or better ... This year, led by **James Wallace's** 14.9 points per game, three players are averaging double-digits and six are scoring eight or more points per game.



### **Grove City Wolverines**

**at Bluffton Tournament (12/29-30)**

Grove City will compete in the McDonald's of Bluffton Tournament Dec. 29-30 in Bluffton, Ohio ... Grove City will face Cincinnati-Clermont in the semifinals at 6 p.m. on the 29<sup>th</sup> ... It is the first-ever meeting between the teams ... Grove City last competed in the McDonald's of Bluffton Tournament two years ago ... Grove City could meet Bluffton on the 30<sup>th</sup> ... The Wolverines are 1-1 all-time against the Beavers.



### **Thiel Tomcats**

**at Wittenberg/Charles B. Zimmerman Memorial Classic (12/29-30)**

The Tomcats will return to action on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 29 and 30 at Wittenberg's Zimmerman Classic ... Thiel will face NAIA member Indiana University-Southeast in its opening-round contest on Dec. 29 at 6 p.m. ... It will be the first-ever meeting between the two schools.



### **Thomas More Saints**

**vs. Centre (12/18 - 7:30 p.m.)  
vs. UC-Clermont (12/21 - 7:30 p.m.)  
at Westmont Tournament (12/29-30)**

Centre leads the all-time series with Thomas More 12-4 and have won six of the last seven, including three straight ... Although they have met in preseason scrimmages over the last couple of seasons, this marks the first time UC-Clermont and Thomas More have met in a regular season contest ... The Saints travel to Santa Barbara, Calif., over the holidays to compete in the Westmont Tournament.



### **Washington & Jefferson Presidents**

**at Defiance (12/18 - 7 p.m.)  
Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic (12/20-21)  
(Tournament games on WNJR-FM (91.7))**

The Presidents travel to Indiana on Monday for their first meeting in history with Defiance ... The Presidents will also take on Manchester for the first time on Wednesday in the opening round of the Hilton Garden Inn/Jacksons Classic ... W&J's possible second-day opponents are Muskingum and Earlham ... The Presidents and Muskies have played 29 times throughout history with MC holding a 16-13 edge ... Earlham and Washington & Jefferson have never played.



### **Waynesburg Yellow Jackets**

**vs. Frostburg State (12/19 - 7:30 p.m.)**

Waynesburg concludes the 2006 portion of its season Tuesday when the Jackets host Frostburg State at the Marisa Fieldhouse ... The Yellow Jackets lead the all-time series, which dates back to the 1938-39 season, by a 45-26 margin ... However, the Bobcats have won the last four meetings against Waynesburg since the 2003-04 season ... Last season, Frostburg State posted a 79-64 victory over the Yellow Jackets despite 19 points from F **Jeff Nero** ... With the win last week against La Roche, head coach **Frank Ferraro** tied **Roy Easterday** (1924-28) for fourth place in school history with 40 career wins.



### **Westminster Titans**

**vs. Pitt-Greensburg (12/19 - 7:30 p.m.)  
at Hanover (12/21 - 6 p.m.)  
at Marietta Shrine Tournament (12/29-30)  
(UP-G game on WWNW-FM (88.9) - [www.titanradio.net](http://www.titanradio.net))**

The last time Westminster beat Pitt-Greensburg was exactly four years ago, Dec. 19, 2002, when **Joe Wilson** scored 16 points and grabbed 11 rebounds in an 80-59 home win ... The Titans have lost the last three meetings, including last year's 91-80 loss at UP-G when **Mark DeMonaco** led the Titans with 21 points and **Steve Bielich** and **Craig Hannon** each scored 13 ... The last meeting with Hanover is believed to be in 1982 when Westminster lost, 49-39, in the first round of the NAIA national championship tournament in Kansas City.



### **Saint Vincent Bearcats**

**vs. Lake Erie (12/19 - 7 p.m.)**

The Bearcats will look to extend their win streak to seven games when they host the Lake Erie Storm in Latrobe Tuesday night ... It will be the final game of 2006 for Saint Vincent, which will not return to the hardwood until a road contest at PAC rival Washington & Jefferson on Saturday, January 6.