



MEN'S BASKETBALL 2004-05

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (PAC) 2005 MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT February 22-24-26, 2005

2004-05 PAC MEN'S BASKETBALL - FINAL STANDINGS

1. Bethany College
2. Washington & Jefferson College
3. Grove City College
4. Westminster College
5. Thiel College
6. Waynesburg College

Note: Top two spots determined by PAC Tournament finals - other spots based on round-robin record.

PAC TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND GAMES - 2/22/05

First Round Game #1 - Washington, Pa.

#3 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 88, #6 Waynesburg 64

Washington & Jefferson raced out to a 28-9 advantage in the first 10 minutes en route to capturing its first-ever PAC Tournament victory. Sophomore G **Jon Koch (New Kensington, PA/Plum H.S.)** led 11 different Presidents in the scoring column with 18 points. He also added five rebounds and three assists. Sophomore G **Brandon Studer (Johnstown, PA/Conemaugh Valley H.S.)** notched 13 points, while freshman G **Tyler Trutza (Bay Village, OH/Bay H.S.)** totaled 11 points, six assists and five rebounds. Sophomores **Marc Lodovico (Beaver Falls, PA/Blackhawk H.S.)** and **Jeff Nero (New Castle, PA/Union H.S.)** led Waynesburg with 11 points each.

First Round Game #2 - New Wilmington, Pa.

#5 Thiel 110, #4 WESTMINSTER 107

Freshmen **Ross Watson (Pittsburgh, PA/Central Catholic H.S.)** and **Joe Herrmann (Linesville, PA/Jamestown H.S.)** scored 32 and 30 points, respectively, as the Tomcats upset the defending PAC champion Titans. Senior G **Daryl Moore (Pittsburgh, PA/Westinghouse H.S.)** and junior F **Stephen Laird (Galion, OH/Galion H.S.)** each added 20 points in the win. Westminster was paced by junior G **Mark DeMonaco (New Castle, PA/New Castle H.S.)** with team-high 24 points and six assists, while junior F **Dom Joseph (New Castle, PA/New Castle H.S.)** added 16 points and a team-best four steals.

PAC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINAL GAMES - 2/24/05

Semifinal Game #1 - Grove City, Pa.

#3 Washington & Jefferson 69, #2 GROVE CITY 57

The Presidents snapped a 10-game losing streak to the Wol-

verines and posted their first win in Grove City since 1994, as W&J advanced to the PAC Tournament title game by outscoring GCC 44-33 in the decisive second period. Sophomore G **Brandon Studer (Johnstown, PA/Conemaugh Valley H.S.)** led W&J with 24 points, including five treys. Sophomore F **Matt Vorndran (Fort Wayne, IN/Carroll H.S.)** added 14 points, while sophomore G **Jon Koch (New Kensington, PA/Plum H.S.)** posted a double-double with 12 points and a game-high 10 rebounds. For Grove City, senior F **Ryan Eller (Erie, PA/Iroquois H.S.)** scored 17 points while senior C **Phil Bushre (Swartz Creek, MI/Swartz Creek H.S.)** added 10.

Semifinal Game #2 - Bethany, W.Va.

#1 BETHANY 126, #5 Thiel 86

The top-seeded Bison steamrolled their way to the PAC title game with a 40-point home win over the Tomcats. Bethany shot 64 percent from the field (45-of-70), including 60 percent from three-point range (15-of-25). Five Bison scored in double figures, led by sophomore G **Brandon Duncan (New Salem, PA/Uniontown Area H.S.)** with a team-high 27 points on 8-of-9 shooting, including 7-of-8 three-pointers. Junior brothers **Matt Drahos (Wheeling, WV/John Marshall H.S.)** and **Mike Drahos (Wheeling, WV/John Marshall H.S.)** added 22 and 21 points, respectively, with Mike grabbing a team-high eight rebounds. Thiel was paced by senior G **Daryl Moore (Pittsburgh, PA/Westinghouse H.S.)** with a game-high 30 points.

PAC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP - 2/26/05

Bethany, W.Va.

#1 BETHANY 94, #3 Washington & Jefferson 78

The top-seeded Bison never trailed as they rolled to a 16-point halftime lead (55-39) against the Presidents. W&J cut the lead to nine points (59-50) early in the second half, but would get no closer. Bethany placed four scorers in double figures, led by junior F **Mike Drahos (Wheeling, WV/John Marshall H.S.)** with a team-high 24 points and 12 rebounds. Brother **Matt Drahos (Wheeling, WV/John Marshall H.S.)** added 19 points in the win, while junior G **Scott Mezyk (Johnstown, PA/Westmont-Hilltop H.S.)** dished out seven assists. For W&J, freshman G **Tyler Trutza (Bay Village, OH/Bay H.S.)** led all scorers with 26 points while adding seven assists. Sophomore G **Jon Koch (New Kensington, PA/Plum H.S.)** added 19 markers for the Presidents.



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FIRST TEAM

| <u>Name</u> | <u>School</u> | <u>Pos.</u> | <u>Ht.</u> | <u>Cl.</u> | <u>Hometown/High School</u> |
|----------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| Phil Bushre | Grove City | C | 6-7 | Sr. | Swartz Creek, MI/Swartz Creek |
| Mark DeMonaco | Westminster | G | 5-8 | Jr. | New Castle, PA/New Castle |
| Matt Drahos | Bethany | F | 6-6 | Jr. | Wheeling, WV/John Marshall |
| Mike Drahos | Bethany | F | 6-5 | Jr. | Wheeling, WV/John Marshall |
| Ryan Eller | Grove City | F | 6-2 | Sr. | Erie, PA/Iroquois |

SECOND TEAM

| <u>Name</u> | <u>School</u> | <u>Pos.</u> | <u>Ht.</u> | <u>Cl.</u> | <u>Hometown/High School</u> |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| J.D. Collar | Grove City | G | 6-1 | Sr. | Cincinnati, OH/Anderson |
| Joe Herrmann | Thiel | F | 6-5 | Fr. | Linesville, PA/Jamestown |
| Jon Koch | Wash. & Jeff. | G | 6-2 | So. | New Kensington, PA/Plum |
| Daryl Moore | Thiel | G | 6-0 | Sr. | Pittsburgh, PA/Westinghouse |
| Ed Pagley | Westminster | G | 6-0 | Sr. | New Castle, PA/New Castle |

HONORABLE MENTION

| <u>Name</u> | <u>School</u> | <u>Pos.</u> | <u>Ht.</u> | <u>Cl.</u> | <u>Hometown/High School</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|---------------------------------|
| Jim Deep | Bethany | G | 6-0 | So. | Aliquippa, PA/Center |
| Craig Hannon | Westminster | G | 6-3 | Fr. | New Castle, PA/Union |
| Mike Lukcic | Grove City | G | 6-0 | Sr. | Pittsburgh, PA/Central Catholic |
| Scott Mezyk | Bethany | G | 5-11 | Jr. | Johnstown, PA/Westmont-Hilltop |
| Pat O'Connor | Westminster | F | 6-3 | Sr. | Pittsburgh, PA/Keystone Oaks |
| Jeff Nero | Waynesburg | G | 6-1 | So. | New Castle, PA/Union |
| Brandon Studer | Wash. & Jeff. | G | 5-10 | So. | Johnstown, PA/Conemaugh Valley |
| Beau Wilson | Waynesburg | G | 6-0 | So. | Daybrook, WV/Clay-Battelle |

2005 PAC PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Mike Drahos, 6-5 Junior Forward, Bethany College

2005 PAC FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR: Joe Herrmann, 6-5 Forward, Thiel College

2005 PAC COACH OF THE YEAR: Aaron Huffman, Bethany College

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