



# SOFTBALL 2003

## Presidents' Athletic Conference

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## PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2003 PAC SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT Hosted by Bethany College - Bethany, WV - April 25-26, 2003

### FINAL 2003 PAC STANDINGS

- 1st place - Bethany College
- 2nd place - Westminster College
- 3rd place - Grove City College
- 4th place - Thiel College
- 5th place - Waynesburg College
- 6th place - Washington & Jefferson College

*Game A - Grove City, PA - April 23, 2003 - 4:30 p.m.*

### #6 Thiel 4, #3 Grove City 3

The #6 seeded Thiel Tomcats opened the 2003 PAC Softball Championship Tournament with a come-from-behind upset at #3 seed Grove City in a first-round game. GCC led 3-0 after five innings, but Thiel rallied with a pair of runs to cut the lead to 3-2 after six, then a two-run homer by junior 2B **Amanda Swanson (Clearfield, PA/Clearfield H.S.)** in the top of the seventh put the Tomcats ahead for good. Swanson posted three of Thiel's five hits (including a double with the home run), scoring twice and driving in two. Tomcat junior **Jen Troyan (Brackenridge, PA/Highlands H.S.)** earned the pitching win after allowing three runs (two earned) on seven hits with three strikeouts. For Grove City, junior **Allison Atwood (Warren, PA/Warren H.S.)** suffered the pitching loss, giving up four runs (three earned) on five hits with six strikeouts. She also helped her own cause by going 2-for-3 with two runs scored, while senior OF **Ellie Smith (Grove City, PA/Grove City H.S.)** was 2-for-4 with a double and a run scored.

*Game B - Waynesburg, PA - April 24, 2003 - 4 p.m.*

### #4 Waynesburg 2, #5 Washington & Jefferson 0

Junior P **Sarah Langsdorf (Sardis, OH/River H.S.)** fired a no-hitter with eight strikeouts to lead the Yellow Jackets to the first round win over the Presidents. The only W&J runner to reach base came on an error in the second inning, as Langsdorf retired the final 16 batters. The lone Waynesburg runs came in the fourth innings, as senior **Haylee Swinchock (Clarksville, PA/Beth-Center H.S.)** singled and was driven home on a two-run home run by classmate **Kerri Petko (Connellsville, PA/Connellsville H.S.)**. Junior **Lauren Pieri (Dunlevy, PA/Charleroi H.S.)** took the pitching loss for W&J, allowing two runs on three hits with four strikeouts.

*Game C - Bethany, WV - April 25, 2003 - 10 a.m.*

### #2 Westminster 6, Thiel 5

Westminster rallied deficits of 2-0 after one and 5-2 after six, scoring four times in the bottom of the seventh to advance to the winner's bracket finals. Senior C **Amy Putas (McKees Rocks, PA.Our Lady of Sacred Heart H.S.)** capped the comeback with a two-out, two-RBI single for the game-winning runs. Senior P **Darcy Sutton (Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel H.S.)** earned the win after allowing five runs on nine hits with one walk and two strikeouts. Offensively, junior 3B **Julie Zappa (Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler H.S.)** was 3-for-4 with two RBIs, while sophomore 1B **Heidi Kimmel (Poland, OH/Poland Seminary H.S.)** was 2-for-4 with a double and two runs scored in the win. Thiel junior **Jen Troyan (Brackenridge, PA/Highlands H.S.)** suffered the loss, allowing six runs (only one earned) on eight hits with six strikeouts, while senior C **Tami Hassell (Hubbard, OH/Hubbard H.S.)**, sophomore 3B **Kimmie Leathers (Russell, PA/Eisenhower H.S.)** and Troyan posted two hits apiece in the loss.

*Game D - Bethany, WV - April 25, 2003 - noon*

### #1 Bethany 10, Waynesburg 9 (eight innings)

The top-seeded Bison survived a scare from the Yellow Jackets to advance to the winner's bracket final against Westminster. Bethany led 8-2 after five innings, only to see Waynesburg pound out seven runs in the top of the sixth to take a 9-8 advantage. The Bison tied the game in the bottom of the sixth, then loaded the bases with no outs and won the game in the bottom of the eighth. Freshman P **Romney Waters (Burgettstown, PA/Burgettstown H.S.)** earned the pitching win in relief, allowing no runs and one hit with four strikeouts in 2 1/3 innings. Bethany posted 13 hits in the win, led by sophomore 1B **Heather Baine (Philipsburg, PA/Philipsburg-Osceola H.S.)** who was 2-for-4 with a home run, a stolen base, two runs scored and three RBIs. Senior OF **Kerri Petko (Connellsville/Connellsville H.S.)** and freshman DH **Trista Murphy (Newport, OH/Frontier H.S.)** each homered in the loss for Waynesburg, while sophomore **Shana D'Aurora (Steubenville, OH/Steubenville H.S.)** suffered the pitching loss in relief after allowing two runs (one earned) on four hits in 2 1/3 innings.

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*Game E - Bethany, WV - April 25, 2003 - 2 p.m.*

### **Thiel 7, Washington & Jefferson 0**

Washington & Jefferson became the first team eliminated from the tournament, as Thiel junior P **Jen Troyan (Brackenridge, PA/Highlands H.S.)** fired a three-hit shutout with two strikeouts to advance the Tomcats in the loser's bracket. Thiel led 3-0 after five frames, then took control in the sixth with a grand slam home run by sophomore 3B **Kimmie Leathers (Russell, PA/Eisenhower H.S.)**. Sophomore OF **Sheri Timko (Springboro, PA/Conneaut Valley H.S.)** led the Tomcat offense by going 3-for-4 with a double and a run scored, while junior 2B **Amanda Swanson (Clearfield, PA/Clearfield H.S.)** and freshman 1B **Jen Stiveson (Lower Burrell, PA/Lower Burrell H.S.)** added two hits each. Junior **Lauren Pieri (Dunlevy, PA/Charleroi H.S.)** took the pitching loss for W&J after giving up seven runs on 10 hits.

*Game F - Bethany, WV - April 25, 2003 - 4 p.m.*

### **Grove City 5, Waynesburg 4 (11 innings)**

Grove City advanced to a first round rematch with Thiel after outlasting Waynesburg in an 11-inning, 2 1/2 hour marathon. Tied 3-3 after seven, both teams scored a single run in the 10th, before GCC plated the game winner on a wild pitch in the bottom of the 11th. Junior P **Allison Atwood (Warren, PA/Warren H.S.)** went the distance for the Lady Wolverines to earn the win, giving up four runs (one earned) on 14 hits with 11 strikeouts. Junior 2B **Katie Gaskill (Sarver, PA/Knoch H.S.)** paced the Grove City offense by going 3-for-5. For Waynesburg, junior P **Sarah Langsdorf (Sardis, OH/River H.S.)** took the loss in relief, while sophomore OF **Kari Mariner (Waynesburg/Waynesburg Central H.S.)** went 3-for-6 in the tournament-ending defeat for the Yellow Jackets.

*Game G - Bethany, WV - April 26, 2003 - 9 a.m.*

### **Grove City 5, Thiel 3**

The Lady Wolverines avenged a first-round tournament loss to the Tomcats, as Grove City drove Thiel out of the tournament with a two-run victory. Freshman P **Jes Flick (Boyers, PA/Moniteau H.S.)** was the story of the game for GCC, as she earned the pitching win by allowing two runs on five hits in five innings. She also helped her own cause at the plate by going 3-for-3 with a pair of home runs, two runs scored and three RBIs. Sophomore C **Rachel Romance (East Springfield, PA/Northwestern H.S.)** and junior 2B **Katie Gaskill (Sarver, PA/Knoch H.S.)** each went 2-for-3 in the win, with Romance driving in a pair of runs. Junior **Allison Atwood (Warren, PA/Warren H.S.)** pitched the final two frames to secure the save. Junior P **Jen Troyan (Brackenridge, PA/Highlands H.S.)** suffered the pitching loss for Thiel, giving up five runs on 10 hits. Sophomore SS **Tina Cale (Portage, OH/Portage H.S.)** led the Tomcat offense by going 2-for-4 with a pair of RBIs.

*Game H - Bethany, WV - April 26, 2003 - 11 a.m.*

### **Bethany 4, Westminster 1**

Westminster scored its only run in the third and appeared headed for the upset, but Bethany rallied with four runs in the bottom of the sixth to advance to the championship game.

Freshman P **Romney Waters (Burgettstown, PA/Burgettstown H.S.)** allowed one run on five hits with five strikeouts to earn the win for the Bison, while senior sisters **Rachael Schafer (Pittsburgh, PA/Perry H.S.)** and **Amy Schafer (Pittsburgh, PA/Perry H.S.)** each went 2-for-3 at the plate. Westminister senior P **Darcy Sutton (Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel H.S.)** allowed four runs on eight hits with two strikeouts while suffering the loss. Junior 3B **Julie Zappa (Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler H.S.)** drove in the only run for Westminister.

*Game I - Bethany, WV - April 26, 2003 - 1 p.m.*

### **Westminster 3, Grove City 1**

The Lady Titans advanced to the PAC title game and sent Grove City home with a come-from-behind win in the loser's bracket finals. The Lady Wolverines grabbed a 1-0 lead in the second, only to see Westminister take a 2-1 lead in the fourth and then add an insurance tally in the fifth. Senior P **Darcy Sutton (Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel H.S.)** went the distance in the win for Westminister, allowing one run on four hits while striking out 12. Sutton also helped her own cause by driving in a pair of runs with a home run, while sophomore OF **Lauren Boris (Gibsonia, PA/North Allegheny H.S.)** went 2-for-3 in the win. Freshman P **Sarah Smith (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington H.S.)** took the loss for GCC, giving up three runs on six hits with one strikeout in 4 2/3 innings. Sophomore C **Rachel Romance (East Springfield, PA/Northwestern H.S.)** accounted for Grove City's only run with a solo home run.

*Game J - Bethany, WV - April 26, 2003 - 3 p.m.*

### **PAC Championship Game**

### **Bethany 2, Westminister 1**

The Bethany Bison completed their undefeated run through the PAC Tournament, as the Bison overcame a 1-0 deficit early in the game with single runs in the third and sixth innings. Senior P **Rachael Schafer (Pittsburgh, PA/Perry H.S.)** went the distance for the victory, giving up one unearned run on four hits while striking out seven. Both junior 3B **Janice Masters (Lansing, OH/Bellaire St. John's H.S.)** and freshman OF **Emily Patton (Poland, OH/Poland Seminary H.S.)** went 2-for-3 in the victory for Bethany. Freshman P **Danielle Kepics (Canfield, OH/Cardinal Mooney H.S.)** suffered the hard-luck loss for the Lady Titans, allowing two runs on five hits with two strikeouts in 5+ innings of work. Junior OF **Rachel Lawrence (Canonsburg, PA/Canon-McMillan H.S.)** was 2-for-3 with an RBI in the losing effort for Westminister.



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## PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (PAC) 2003 SOFTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

### First Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
P	Rachael Schafer	Sr.	Bethany	Pittsburgh, PA/Perry
3B	Janice Masters	Jr.	Bethany	Lansing, OH/Bellaire St. John's
C	Amy Schafer	Sr.	Bethany	Pittsburgh, PA/Perry
P/SS	Allison Atwood	Jr.	Grove City	Warren, PA/Warren
SS	Laura Raible	Sr.	Westminster	Gibsonia, PA/Pine-Richland
2B	Amanda Swanson	Jr.	Thiel	Clearfield, PA/Clearfield
OF	Ellie Smith	Sr.	Grove City	Grove City, PA/Grove City
OF	Kerri Petko	Sr.	Waynesburg	Connellsville, PA/Connellsville
OF	Melissa Witzberger	So.	Wash. & Jeff.	Wheeling, WV/John Marshall
C	Tami Hassell	Sr.	Thiel	Hubbard, OH/Hubbard

### Second Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
IF	Haylee Swinchock	Sr.	Waynesburg	Clarksville, PA/Beth-Center
P	Darcy Sutton	Sr.	Westminster	Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel
3B	Julie Zappa	Jr.	Westminster	Pittsburgh, PA/Shaler
P	Jen Troyan	Jr.	Thiel	Brackenridge, PA/Highlands
1B	Heidi Kimmel	So.	Westminster	Poland, OH/Poland Seminary
22?C	Rachel Romance	So.	Grove City	East Springfield, PA/Northwestern
1B/SS	Heather Baine	So.	Bethany	Philipsburg, PA/Philipsburg-Osceola
P	Lauren Pieri	Jr.	Wash. & Jeff.	Dunlevy, PA/Charleroi
OF	Kari Mariner	So.	Waynesburg	Waynesburg, PA/Waynesburg Central

### Honorable Mention

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
OF	Emily Patton	Fr.	Bethany	Poland, OH/Poland Seminary
1B	Angela Iadanza	Jr.	Wash. & Jeff.	Canton, OH/Perry

**2003 PAC Freshman of the Year: IF/OF Tina Ramer, Waynesburg**

**2003 PAC Coach of the Year: Jan Forsty, Bethany**

**2003 PAC Pitcher of the Year: Rachael Schafer, Bethany**

**2003 PAC Most Valuable Player: Rachael Schafer, Bethany**