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FOR RELEASE: November 1, 2009 Pairings for 2009 PAC Volleyball, Men's & Women's Soccer Tournaments Announced

WEXFORD, Pa. - The Presidents' Athletic Conference has announced the seeds and pairings for the 2009 PAC Volleyball and Men's & Women's Soccer and Tournaments, scheduled fo this week (November 3-8) at campus sites.

Thomas More College is the top seed and will host the semifinal and final round of the 2009 PAC Volleyball Tournament. The Saints (26-10, 13-1 PAC) earned a first round bye along with second seed Thiel College (22-10, 11-3 PAC). In the opening round on Tuesday, #6 Grove City (8-23, 4-10 PAC) travels to #3 seed and defending PAC champion Westminster (12-22, 10-4 PAC), while #5 Bethany (16-14, 5-9 PAC) travels to #4 Washington & Jefferson (15-15, 10-4 PAC). Thomas More will face the lowest remaining seed after the opening round on Friday (Nov. 6) at 6 p.m., followed by Thiel facing the highest remaining seed at 8 p.m. The championship match is scheduled for 4 p.m. on Saturday (Nov. 7) at Thomas More.

Thomas More is also the top seed for the 2009 PAC Men's Soccer Tournament, scheduled to begin with semifinal contests on Wednesday (Nov. 4) followed by the championship match over the weekend at a date/time TBA. The top-seeded Saints (15-2-1, 5-0-1 PAC) will host fourth seed Grove City (8-9-1, 3-3 PAC) in one semifinal match on Wednesday (Nov. 4) at 2 p.m., while #2 seed and defending PAC champion Westminster (10-9, 5-1 PAC) will host #3 Washington & Jefferson (11-6-1, 4-2 PAC) in the other semifinal on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Burry Stadium field.

Grove City College is the top seed for the 2009 PAC Women's Soccer Tournament, scheduled to begin with semifinal contests on Tuesday (Nov. 3) followed by the championship match tentatively scheduled for Saturday (Nov. 7) at 1 p.m. The Wolverines (10-5-3, 7-0 PAC) will host #4 Westminster (13-6-1, 4-3 PAC) in one semifinal, while #2 Thomas More (15-2-1, 6-1 PAC) will host #3 seed and defending PAC champion Washington & Jefferson (10-6-2, 5-2 PAC) in the other semifinal. Both matches will take place beginning at 2 p.m.

Admission for all PAC Championship events is \$5 for adults, \$2 for students and \$1 for programs. PAC regular season passes are not accepted for PAC Tournament games. The winners of all three PAC Tournaments this week will earn automatic bids to the 2009 NCAA Division III postseason playoffs, which begin the week of November 9.

Following is the complete schedule for the 2009 PAC volleyball championship tournament:

2009 PAC Volleyball Championship Tournament

First Round - Tuesday, November 3

#6 Grove City (8-23, 4-10 PAC) at #3 Westminster (12-22, 10-4 PAC) - 7 p.m.

#5 Bethany (16-14, 5-9 PAC) at #4 Washington & Jefferson (15-15, 10-4 PAC) - 7 p.m.

<u>Semifinals - Friday, November 6 (at Thomas More College - Crestview Hills, Ky.)</u> Lowest remaining seed at #1 Thomas More (26-10, 13-1 PAC) - 6 p.m.

Highest remaining seed vs. #2 Thiel (22-10, 11-3 PAC) - 8 p.m.

<u>Championship - Saturday, November 7 (at Thomas More College - Crestview Hills, Ky.)</u> 4 p.m.

2009 PAC Men's Soccer Championship Tournament

Semifinals - Wednesday, November 4

#4 Grove City 8-9-1, 3-3 PAC) at #1 Thomas More (15-2-1, 5-0-1 PAC) - 2 p.m.

#3 Washington & Jefferson (11-6-1, 4-2 PAC) at #2 Westminster (10-9, 5-1 PAC) - 7:30 p.m. (Burry Stadium)

Championship (at highest remaining seed)

Date and time TBA

2009 PAC Women's Soccer Championship Tournament

Semifinals - Tuesday, November 3

#4 Westminster (13-6-1, 4-3 PAC) at #1 Grove City (10-5-3, 7-0 PAC) - 2 p.m.

#3 Washington & Jefferson (10-6-2, 5-2 PAC) at #2 Thomas More (15-2-1, 6-1 PAC) - 2 p.m.

Championship (at highest remaining seed) - Saturday, November 7

1 p.m. (tentative)