

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2005-06

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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Current 2005-06 Regular Season Standings (through January 2, 2006)

	PAC Games			All Games		
School	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	8	2	.800
Thomas More College	0	0	.000	8	4	.667
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	6	4	.600
Bethany College	0	0	.000	4	7	.364
Grove City College	0	0	.000	3	7	.300
Thiel College	0	0	.000	2	10	.167
Westminster College	0	0	.000	2	10	.167

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, December 19

Westminster 42, LA ROCHE 41 Capital 58, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 53

Wednesday, December 21

THOMAS MORE 60, Bluffton 47 Carnegie Mellon 55, WESTMINSTER 54 KENYON 65, Thiel 45

Wednesday, December 28

Washington & Jefferson 62, Minnesota-Morris 60^

Thursday, December 29

Westminster 55, SETON HILL 47 Allegheny 83, Thiel 73! Washington & Jefferson 69, Presentation 58^

Friday, December 30

THOMAS MORE 55, Wisconsin-Platteville 40 Anderson 91, Thiel 51! BETHANY 66, Heidelberg 63

Monday, January 2

OHIO WESLEYAN 65, Westminster 50

! - at Otterbein "O" Club Classic - Westerville, Ohio ^ - at Land of Magic Classic - Daytona Beach, Fla.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 3

Bethany at Capital - 7 p.m. Pitt-Greensburg at Grove City - 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 4

Westminster at Thiel* - 6 p.m. Waynesburg at Washington & Jefferson* - 8 p.m.

Thursday, January 5

Chatham at Waynesburg - 5 p.m.

Friday-Saturday, January 6-7

Waynesburg at Villa Julie Tournament

Saturday, January 7

Bethany at Thomas More* - 1 p.m. Grove City at Juniata - 2 p.m. Trinity (DC) at Washington & Jefferson - 4 p.m. Thiel at SUNY-Fredonia - 6 p.m.

Sunday, January 8

Washington & Jefferson Presidents' Classic - 1 & 3 p.m.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

LEIGH SULKOWSKI

Washington & Jefferson College

6-0 Senior Guard

Upper St. Clair, Pa./Upper St. Clair H.S.

Sulkowski earned her third PAC Player of the Week award this season after averaging 23.0 points, 9.3 rebounds, 1.7 assists and 1.3 steals while leading W&J to a 2-1 mark over the holiday break. She scored 26 points on two occasions and now has scored 1,663 career points, 104 shy of breaking the W&J career scoring record.

Also nominated was freshman F **Mandi Swiger** of Bethany, junior F **Brooke Warner** of Thomas More, and junior G **Desiree Sterling** of Westminster.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



Bethany Bison

The Bison trailed by as many as 11 in the second half but rallied for a 66-63 win over Heidelberg Dec. 30 in their only game over the holiday break ... Bethany had 15 turnovers in the first half but still only trailed 32-29 at the break

... Heidelberg seemed to take control with a 10-0 spurt midway through the second half to claim a 50-39 lead ... With BC trailing by seven with five minutes, freshman **Mandi Swiger** hit a lay-up to start a 7-0 run that tied the game, then scored the game's final six points over the last two minutes to propel BC to the win ... Swiger finished with game with a career-high 19 points and also pulled down nine boards, while **Courtney Irwin** just missed a double-double as well with 13 markers and nine rebounds.



Grove City Wolverines

Grove City returns to action Tuesday night against visiting Pitt-Greensburg ... It is Grove City's first game since Dec. 14.



Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats dropped three straight prior to the new year, falling at Kenyon 65-45 before losing a pair at Otterbein's "O" Club Classic ... Thiel suffered an 83-73 loss to Allegheny in the opening round and fell to Anderson 91-51 in the consolation ... Against the 17th-ranked Ladies, the

Tomcats got 14 points and seven rebounds from junior F Fontella Jones while senior G Heather Abate and junior F Nicole Valentino each added eight points ... Freshman F Amber Bodrick had a gamehigh 26 points and 13 rebounds to lead Thiel against the Gators ... Valentino added 21 points and seven boards, while Jones chipped in with 15 points and six rebounds ... In the loss to Anderson, the Tomcats got 13 points and five rebounds from Valentino.



Thomas More Saints

Thomas More had its final non-conference preparations this week, winning both and will take a three-game

winning streak into its PAC portion of its schedule ... In the win over Bluffton, Thomas More had four players reach double figures, including a career-high 11 points from junior **Amber Sims** ... **Brooke Warner** and **Alex Gee** scored 12 points each in the win ... Three players reached double figures, marking the fourth straight time as least three players reached the scoring plateau, as the Saints upended UW-P ... Junior **Christian Stefanopoulos** had team-highs with 13 points and seven assists, while freshman PG **Gabby Johnson** grabbed a team and career-high eight rebounds.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

No. 22 W&J posted a 2-1 record over the holiday break as the Presidents dropped a 58-53 home decision to No. 10 Capital before notching wins over Minnesota-Morris and Presentation at the Land of Magic Classic in Daytona Beach, Fla. ... The Presidents led Capital by 13 points with 8:35 remaining, but the Crusaders fought back to earn

the victory ... Senior G **Leigh Sulkowski** recorded a double-double with 26 points and 13 rebounds to lead W&J ... Senior F **Amanda Stanonik** drilled two three-pointers in the final 58 seconds to give W&J a come-from-behind victory over Minnesota-Morris After trailing by three points at halftime, Sulkowski netted 18 of her gamehigh 26 points in the second half to push W&J past Presentation ... Senior PG **Dayna Greenfield** finished with 11 points and 10 caroms.



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2/19

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg was off during the break ... The Yellow Jackets begin a tretch of four games in four days with their PAC opener at W&J Wednesday.



Westminster Lady Titans

Westminster went 2-1 over the holiday break ... The Lady Titans sandwiched road wins over La Roche (42-41) and NAIA member Seton Hill (55-47) around a 55-54 home loss to Carnegie Mellon ... Junior G Rachel Eaton was fouled and made the second of two free throws with time expired, breaking a 41-41 tie at La Roche ... Junior G Desiree Sterling led the way in the win with 15 points and eight rebounds ... Sterling scored a career-high 26 points against CMU, but Katie White scored off a stolen inbounds pass for the game-win-

ning points for the Tartans with nine seconds to play ... Against Seton Hill, junior G **Nicole Fee had** team-high totals of 14 points and five assists, while junior F **Talley Felger** grabbed a career-high 18 rebounds in the win.

<u>2005-06 PAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK</u>

11/20	Leigh Sulkowski, G, Washington & Jefferson
11/20 11/27 12/4 12/11 12/18 1/2 1/8 1/15 1/22 1/29	Leigh Sulkowski, G, Washington & Jefferson
12/4	Jenny Place, G/F, Bethany
12/11	Jenny Place, G/F, Bethany
12/18	Candice Eyerman, G, Waynesburg
1/2	Leigh Sulkowski, G, Washington & Jefferson
1/8	
1/15	
1/22	
1/29	
2/5	

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS



at Capital (1/3 - 7 p.m.) at Thomas More* (1/7 - 1 p.m.)

The new year gives the Bison a challenging start, as they travel to 10th-ranked Capital Tues-

day night before starting PAC play Saturday at Thomas More ... Bethany is 1-1 against Capital all-time, with BC winning the last match-up, a 68-64 victory in the 2003 season opener ... The Crusaders won the first meeting between the squads, a 80-46 decision in the first round of the 1997 NCAA Tournament ... BC then heads to Thomas More for the Saints first-ever PAC game ... The only other time the two teams have faced also came during the 2003 season, a 71-65 Bethany win in the Bison's Holiday Tournament.



Thiel Tomcats

at Westminster* (1/4 - 6 p.m.) at SUNY-Fredonia (1/7 - 6 p.m.)

Thiel will open its PAC schedule this week, traveling to New Wilmington to take on Westminster Wednesday evening before traveling to

Fredonia, N.Y. Saturday to take on Fredonia State ... Thiel is currently 16-22 all-time against Westminster, dropping the last 14 straight ... The Tomcats are 1-0 against Fredonia State, winning 79-77 in overtime during the 1997-98 season.



Grove City Wolverines

vs. Pitt-Greensburg (1/3 - 7 p.m.) at Juniata (1/7 - 2 p.m.)

Grove City hosts Pitt-Greensburg Tuesday night, opening up a stretch of seven games in 15 days ... The Wolverines have not beaten

UP-G since Dec. 1, 2001, when Grove City earned a 66-39 win in Greensburg ... This is the first meeting between the teams since Jan. 7, 2004, when Pitt-Greensburg outscored Grove City 52-9 in the second half on its way to an 81-47 win ... Grove City made just two second-half shots ... The Wolverines own a 5-2 edge in the all-time series ... Saturday, Grove City visits Juniata in another non-conference clash ... Grove City has won eight of the previous 12 meetings with Juniata, including last season's 72-51 home win.



Thomas More Saints

vs. Bethany* (1/7 - 1 p.m.)

The game with Bethany marks the first time since TMC became a NCAA

school that the two teams will play each other ... It will be the fourth straight home game for the Saints, who are 5-0 at Connor Convocation Center this season and ride a 10-game home winning streak.



Washington & Jefferson Presidents

vs. Waynesburg* (1/4 - 8 p.m.) W&J Presidents' Classic (1/7-8)

W&J

Washington & Jefferson opens conference play by hosting Waynesburg in the second half of a doubleheader on Wednesday in Washington ... The Presidents have dominated the Yellow Jack-

ets throughout history, winning 26 of the previous 33 meetings ... W&J also owns a 16-game win streak against WC ... W&J and Trinity (D.C.) have never met, but the Tigers played in the Holiday Inn Classic at W&J earlier this season ... Trinity lost both games in the tou rnament ... W&J has never played New Jersey City and holds a 2-1 all-time record versus Shenandoah.



Westminster Lady Titans

vs. Thiel* (1/4 - 6 p.m.)

The Lady Titans open defense of their Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) title with a home contest against Thiel Wednesday at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium ... Westminster won both contests against the Tomcats last season ... The Lady Titans won 56-33 in New Wilmington behind 10 points from Mary Jane Eaton and 10 rebounds by Erica Tallo ... Westminster then posted an 82-54 win in Greenville, setting a seasonhigh for points in a game, as Tallo and Eaton each

recorded 14 points.



Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

at Washington & Jefferson* (1/4 - 8 p.m.) vs. Chatham (1/5 - 5 p.m.) at Villa Julie Tournament (1/6-7)

The Yellow Jackets start 2006 with their conference opener against W&J Wednesday ... The Presidents won both of last season's meetings

by 12 points (55-43, 75-63) ... G Candice Eyerman scored a combined 24 points in the two contests, while backcourt mate Katie Lewandowski bucketed a team-high 23 points off the bench in the second meeting against the Presidents ... Waynesburg returns home to host Chatham, a team which it beat 74-26 last season, Thursday ... The Yellow Jackets limited the Cougars to a .164 field goal percentage in the contest ... WC concludes the first weekend of the New Year at the Villa Julie Tournament in Stevenson, Md.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL RADIO/TV BROADCASTSTHIS WEEK

Bethany - Capital game on www.teamline.cc (code 3724)

Grove City - Juniata game on WSAJ-FM (91.1) in Grove City; www.gcc.edu/sports.

Thomas More - Bethany game on Insight Communications Channels 22/8 in Northern Kentucky

Wash. & Jeff. - All three games on WNJR-FM (91.7) in Washington; mms://media.washjeff.edu/WNJR

Westminster - Thiel game on WWNW-FM (88.9) in New Wilmington; <u>www.titanradio.net</u>; <u>www.msasportsnetwork.com</u>.