



# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2004-05

*Presidents' Athletic Conference*

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## CURRENT 2004-05 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through Jan. 24, 2005)

School	PAC Games			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Washington & Jefferson College	3	0	1.00	14	3	.824
Westminster College	3	0	1.00	12	4	.750
Grove City College	1	2	.333	8	8	.500
Bethany College	1	2	.667	6	11	.353
Thiel College	1	2	.333	5	13	.278
Waynesburg College	0	3	.000	8	7	.533

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

#### **Wednesday, January 19**

Grove City 61, WAYNESBURG 51\*

WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 86, Bethany 70\*

WESTMINSTER 56, Thiel 33\*

#### **Monday, January 24 (rescheduled from Sat., Jan. 22)**

Washington & Jefferson 70, GROVE CITY 64\*

THIEL 71, Waynesburg 48\*

WESTMINSTER 77, Bethany 50\*

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

#### **Wednesday, January 26**

Thiel at Grove City\* - 5:30 p.m.

Washington & Jefferson at Westminster\* - 6 p.m.

Waynesburg at Bethany\* - 8 p.m.

#### **Saturday, January 29**

Thiel at Washington & Jefferson\* - 1 p.m.

Grove City at Bethany\* - 4 p.m.

Westminster at Waynesburg\* - 5:30 p.m.

## PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

### LEIGH SULKOWSKI

#### Washington & Jefferson College

6-0 Junior Guard

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

Sulkowski led W&J to a 2-0 week by averaging 27.5 points, 8.5 rebounds, 4.5 steals, 3.0 assists and 1.5 blocked shots per game. She shot 56 percent (18-of-32) from the field, including 67 percent (8-of-12) from beyond the three-point arc. Sulkowski scored 29 points in an 86-70 PAC win over Bethany, then drilled the final three of her 26 points on a trey with 23 seconds to play to break a 64-64 tie and lift the Presidents over league foe Grove City 70-64.

Also nominated was senior G **Abby Moose** of Grove City, senior F **Kristen Benjamin** of Thiel, and sophomore G **Desiree Sterling** of Westminster.

## PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

### **Bethany Bison**

The Bethany women suffered two road losses to halt the momentum Bethany had built heading into conference play ... Against Westminster Monday, the Bison fell behind early and never recovered, falling 77-50 to the Titans ... **Courtney Irwin** continued to be a dominant force, scoring 11 points in the loss ... **Jenny Place** paced the rebounders with nine caroms ... The 2004 PAC defending champions fell to former coach **Jina DeRubbo** and the W&J women 86-70 Wednesday to suffer their first conference loss of the season and snap a four-game winning streak ... Irwin tossed in 22 points and grabbed nine rebounds in the loss, while Place garnered 11 points, nine rebounds and six assists.

### **Wash. & Jeff. Presidents**

W&J edged Bethany and Grove City this week to extend its winning streak to five games ... The Presidents drilled 13-of-21 shots from three-point range in the win over the Bison and received 29 points from junior G **Leigh Sulkowski** ... Junior F **Amanda Stanonik** added 21 points ... Stanonik's 10 straight points during a 25-13 run proved to be the difference for W&J ... Juniors G **Courtney Janczak** and F **Lauren Slampak** both poured in 12 points ... Junior PG **Dayna Greenfield** rounded out five Presidents in double figures with 10 ... Sulkowski's three-point play with 23 seconds left gave W&J the lead for good in the win at GCC ... Sulkowski finished with 26 points, while Slampak added 20 ... The duo combined to make 18-of-21 from the free throw line.

### **Grove City Lady Wolverines**

The Wolverines fell to 1-2 in PAC play Monday with a 70-64 home loss to conference co-leader W&J ... Grove City held the Presidents scoreless for over seven minutes in the second half but could not snap a six-game home losing streak to W&J ... **Abby Moose** led the Wolverines with 15 points while **Rachel McCoy** produced a 12-point, 11-rebound double-double ... Moose became Grove City's 8th 1,000-point scorer Wednesday by scoring 13 points in Grove City's 61-51 win at Waynesburg ... Moose scored 11 of her 13 in the second half ... McCoy had 16 points while **Jocelyn Kempema** added nine points, 10 boards and a pair of blocks ... The victory was Grove City's 19th straight over the Yellow Jackets.

### **Waynesburg Yellow Jackets**

Waynesburg continues to struggle from the field and in the PAC, losing two games this week by an average of 16.5 points ... The Yellow Jackets have failed to shoot above 30 percent in each of their three conference losses ... Against Thiel, the Jackets shot 25.8 percent from the field, the second lowest of the season ... Junior PG **Rachel Dillon** scored 16 points, including 4-of-4 from beyond the arc against Grove City ... **Katie Lewandowski** is the only other Waynesburg player to score in double figures this week (10 vs. Grove City), but has shot below 20 percent from the field in PAC play ... Leading scorer **Candice Eyerman** has combined to score only 11 points in the last two games, after averaging nearly 15 points prior to this week.

### **Thiel Tomcats**

Thiel went 1-1 in PAC action last week ... After dropping a 56-33 decision at Westminster, the Tomcats evened their home record at 2-2 with a 71-48 win over Waynesburg ... Against the Titans, senior F **Kristen Benjamin** led the Tomcats with her 10-point, six-rebound performance ... Trailing by one (26-25) at the 4:47 mark of the opening period against the Yellow Jackets, the Tomcats closed out the half on a 12-2 run to go into the break sporting a 37-28 lead ... The win was Thiel's largest PAC victory since downing the Yellow Jackets 77-48 during the 2001-02 season ... Benjamin led all scorers with 20 points and nine rebounds ... Junior G **Heather Abate** totaled 13 points, five rebounds and five assists.

### **Westminster Lady Titans**

Westminster ran its win streak to five games and remained in a first place tie with W&J in the PAC after home league wins over Thiel (56-33) and Bethany (77-50) ... Senior F **Mary Jane Eaton** led a balanced scoring attack vs. Thiel with 10 points, while the Tomcats were held scoreless for the first 13:29 of the game ... Senior F **Erica Tallo** grabbed a team-high 10 rebounds, while freshman G **Maria Joseph** dished out a team- and career-best five assists ... Sophomore G **Desiree Sterling** scored a game-high 18 points in the Bethany win, while three players - Tallo, Eaton and freshman F **Cherrell Triplett** - added 12 points each ... Westminster shot a season-high 57 percent from the field against the Bison (33-of-58).

### **Past PAC Women's Basketball Players of the Week**

November 21: Alyson Gasper, G, Westminster

November 28: Leigh Sulkowski, G, Wash. & Jeff.

December 5: Leigh Sulkowski, G, Wash. & Jeff.

December 12: Kristen Benjamin, F, Thiel

January 2: Leigh Sulkowski, G, Wash. & Jeff.

January 9: Rachel McCoy, F, Grove City

January 16: Katie Resanovich, F/C, Bethany

January 23: Leigh Sulkowski, G, Wash. & Jeff.

January 30:

February 6:

February 13:

February 20:

## PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

### BETHANY BISON (6-11 Overall, 1-2 PAC) vs. Waynesburg\* (1/26 - 8 p.m.) vs. Grove City\* (1/29 - 4 p.m.)

**Radio/TV:** WVBC-FM (88.1)

**Upcoming Game Notes:** The Bethany Bison look to get back on the winning side of the record column with three conference games this week ... Before Wednesday's loss, Bethany hadn't tasted defeat since January 4 in a 79-46 contest against Allegheny College ... **Courtney Irwin** has been the high-pointer for the women in each of the last three games.

### GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (8-8 Overall, 1-2 PAC) vs. Thiel\* (1/26 - 5:30 p.m.) at Bethany\* (1/29 - 4 p.m.)

**Radio/TV:** WSAJ-FM (91.1), [www.msasportsnetwork.com](http://www.msasportsnetwork.com) (Saturday only)

**Upcoming Game Notes:** Grove City looks to even its conference record and pull within one game of a quarterfinal-round bye Wednesday at home vs. Thiel ... The Wolverines have won three straight against Thiel, including a sweep last year ... Thiel has not won at the GCC Arena since 1994, **Melissa Lamie's** first year as Grove City head coach ... Grove City's 42 wins against Thiel are the program's most against any opponent ... Bethany eliminated Grove City in last year's PAC Tournament semifinals at Hummel Field House.

### THIEL TOMCATS (5-13 Overall, 1-2 PAC) at Grove City\* (1/26 - 5:30 p.m.) at Washington & Jefferson\* (1/29 - 1 p.m.)

**Radio/TV:** WPIC-AM (790) - Wednesday only

**Upcoming Game Notes:** The Tomcats continue their Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) schedule this week with games against Grove City and W&J ... Grove City holds a commanding 37-13 advantage in the all-time series with the Tomcats having won six of the last eight meetings ... The Presidents, winners of the last nine meetings, defeated Thiel 59-48 in Greenville and downed the Tomcats twice in Washington last season: 83-53 in the regular season and 85-69 in the PAC Tournament.

### WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (14-3 Overall, 3-0 PAC) at Westminster\* (1/26 - 6 p.m.) vs. Thiel\* (1/29 - 1 p.m.)

**Radio/TV:** WNJR-FM (91.7), [www.washjeff.edu](http://www.washjeff.edu) (Sat. only)

**Upcoming Game Notes:** First place in the PAC will be on the line on Wednesday at Buzz Ridl Gymnasium as W&J and Westminster enter with perfect 3-0 marks in conference play ... The two schools have met 15 times in history with the Lady Titans leading by an 8-7 margin ... W&J took 2-of-3 games last season from the Titans, including a 55-53 triumph in the PAC Semifinals ... Junior G **Leigh Sulkowski** averaged 20.0 points in three games against Westminster last season ... W&J leads the series with the Tomcats, 29-15, including three double-digit victories in 2003-2004.

### WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (8-7 Overall, 0-3 PAC) at Bethany\* (1/26 - 8 p.m.) vs. Westminster\* (1/29 - 5:30 p.m.)

**Radio/TV:** WCYJ-FM (88.7), [www.waynesburg.edu](http://www.waynesburg.edu); WCYJ-TV (Channel 12) - Sat. only

**Upcoming Game Notes:** Waynesburg looks to snap its season-long three-game losing streak Wednesday when it travels to Bethany ... The Bison swept the two-game series with the Yellow Jackets last season winning by an average of 14 points ... In those meetings, **Katie Lewandowski** and **Rachel Dillon** each averaged over 10 points ... The Titan defense did not allow the Yellow Jackets to score 50 points in either of last year's meetings, both won by Westminster ... **Candice Eyerman** was limited to six points in the two games, including zero in the second.

### WESTMINSTER LADY TITANS (12-4 Overall, 3-0 PAC) vs. Washington & Jefferson\* (1/26 - 6 p.m.) at Waynesburg\* (1/29 - 5:30 p.m.)

**Radio/TV:** WWNW-FM (88.9), [www.msasportsnetwork.com](http://www.msasportsnetwork.com); Westminster Cable Network (WCN) (Wed. only)

**Upcoming Game Notes:** First place in the PAC will be on the line when 3-0 Westminster hosts 3-0 W&J in New Wilmington ... W&J won two of three games a year ago, although the Lady Titans won on their home floor 71-66 behind 19 points from **Desiree Sterling** ... The game also matches Lady Titan coach **Rosanne Scott** against her former mentor during her playing days at Bethany, W&J coach **Jina DeRubbo** ... Westminster swept Waynesburg last year, winning 58-46 on the road and 68-44 at home as Sterling scored 15 and 17 points, respectively.