

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2003-04

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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CURRENT REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through January 25, 2004)

	PAC Games			All (All Games		
School	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.	\underline{W}	<u>L</u>	Pct.	
Bethany College	3	0	1.00	13	4	.765	
Westminster College	3	0	1.00	10	6	.625	
Washington & Jefferson College	2	1	.667	10	4	.714	
Grove City College	1	2	.333	8	7	.533	
Waynesburg College	0	3	.000	7	7	.500	
Thiel College	0	3	.000	5	12	.294	

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS
Monday, January 19
WOOSTER 77, Grove City 67

Wednesday, January 21

Bethany 67, WAYNESBURG 58* WESTMINSTER 53, Grove City 49* Washington & Jefferson 59, THIEL 48*

Saturday, January 24

GROVE CITY 67, Thiel 49*
BETHANY 63, Washington & Jefferson 40*
Westminster 58, WAYNESBURG 46*

Sunday, January 25

Waynesburg 72, Chestnut Hill 53 (at Chatham)

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 28

Waynesburg at Grove City* - 5:30 p.m. Thiel at Bethany* - 6 p.m. Westminster at Washington & Jefferson* - 6 p.m.

Saturday, January 31

Bethany at Westminster* - 1 p.m. Grove City at Washington & Jefferson* - 1 p.m. Waynesburg at Thiel* - 1 p.m.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

DESIREE STERLING

Westminster College

5-7 Freshman Guard Newton Falls, Ohio/Newton Falls H.S.

Sterling led Westminster into a first-place tie with Bethany in the PAC, as she was the leading scorer for the Lady Titans in PAC wins over Grove City (53-49) and Waynesburg (58-46) last week. For the week, she averaged 16.0 points and 7.0 rebounds per game, including 17 points and nine boards against the Lady Wolverines and 15 points and five caroms against the Jackets.

Also nominated was junior G **Nikki Babik** of Bethany, junior G **Abby Moose** of Grove City, freshman G **Nicole Valentino** of Thiel, sophomore F **Amanda Stanonik** of Washington & Jefferson, and sophomore G **Rachel Dillon** of Waynesburg.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

The Bison have won eight consecutive games and 11 of their last 12 ... The squad's 3-0 record in the PAC is the team's best start to league play since starting 4-0 in 2001-02 ... Over her last six games, junior G Nikki Babik is averaging 17.5 ppg. and has shot 54.1-percent (33-of-61) from the field and 57.6percent (19-of-33) from the three-point line ... She made five three-pointers in one game twice during that span ... The Bison defense held W&J to 29.6 (16-of-54) shooting from the field on Saturday, including 19.2-percent (5-of-26) in the first half ... After struggling to stop opponents early in the season, the Bison defense is holding opponents to just 56.4 ppg and 37.3% shooting during its win streak.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J had its regular-season PAC win streak snapped at 12 games on Saturday at Bethany ... The Bison limited W&J to just 40 points, which is the Presidents' lowest scoring total dating back to a 52-31 loss at Grove City during the 1998-99 season (a span of 123 games) ... W&J has not lost back-to-back games since the final two games of the 2001-02 season ... Sophomore G Leigh Sulkowski led the Presidents in the loss to the Bison with 11 points and 10 rebounds ... Sophomore F Amanda Stanonik scored a career-high 24 points and pulled down nine rebounds in the win at Thiel Wednesday ... The Presidents never trailed in the contest and also received 14 points, six rebounds and three assists from sophomore G Lauren Slampak.

Grove City Lady Wolverines

Grove City snapped a three-game skid Saturday by downing Thiel ... Abby Moose tossed in 15 points against Thiel while forwards Leigh LeGare (11) and Sandy O'Keefe (10) also scored in double-figures ... O'Keefe led Grove City with 14 points against Westminster while Moose's 17-point outing was tops at Wooster ... Moose also added a careerhigh seven steals in the loss, along with five assists ... Senior forward Misty Wadowsky went 5-for-5 from the floor at Wooster, scoring 12 points ... Grove City led 53-40 in the second half at Wooster ... Moose pulled to within one three-point goal of tying Stephanie Murphy (1998-2002) for the College's all-time career lead with 117 threes.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg broke a four-game losing streak on Sunday against Chestnut Hill, 72-53, but remains winless in the PAC after losing to Bethany (67-58) and Westminster (58-46) ... Against Chestnut Hill, sophomore G Rachel Dillon's 12 assists were one assist shy of tying her own school record set last year ... Also, sophomore G Candice Everman posted her second career double-double (13 points, 10 rebounds) and junior G Ashley Urban tied a season with 15 points ... Against Westminster, the Jackets led at the half, 26-25, but shot just 18 percent in the second half before losing ... Freshman reserve G Katie Lewandowski led the team in scoring for the week, averaging 9.7 points, followed by Urban (9.3), and Eyerman (8.7).

Thiel Tomcats

The Tomcats are stuck in a season-worst five game losing streak after dropping a 59-48 home PAC decision to W&J Wednesday and enduring a 67-49 setback at Grove City on Saturday ... Freshman F Fontella Jones had 11 points and seven rebounds for the Tomcats against W&J, while senior G Kerry Gutherie added 11 points and five boards ... Freshman G Nicole Valentino had career highs with 15 points and nine rebounds, but Grove City finished the game on a 31-14 run to secure its first PAC win of the season...Thiel outscored Grove City 17-8 to open the second half, but the Lady Wolverines led by as many as 21 late in the contest ... Sophomore G Heather Abate recorded nine points in the loss.

Westminster Lady Titans

The Lady Titans ran their win streak to three and remained tied with Bethany at the top of the PAC standings after league wins over Grove City (53-49) and Waynesburg (58-46) ... Leading the Lady Titan offense against GCC was freshman G Desiree Sterling, who bucketed a gamehigh 17 points on 7-of-9 accuracy from the field ... Junior F Erica Tallo tallied 15 points and a game-high 11 rebounds ... In the Waynesburg victory, Sterling led the team in scoring for the second consecutive game with a game-high 15 points ... Tallo posted her 11th double-double of the season with 12 points and a gamehigh 12 rebounds, while senior G Rena Paroz came off the bench to tally a career-high 11 points in the win.

Past PAC Women's Basketball Players of the Week

November 23: Sandy O'Keefe, C, Grove City

November 30: Candice Eyerman, G, Waynesburg

December 7: Kelley Richardson, C, Bethany

December 14: Kelley Richardson, C, Bethany

January 4: Candice Eyerman, G, Waynesburg

January 11: Erica Tallo, F, Westminster

January 18: Amanda Stanonik, F, W&J/Nikki Babik, G, Bethany

January 25: Desiree Sterling, G, Westminster

February 1:

February 8:

February 15:

February 22:

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (13-4 Overall, 3-0 PAC)

vs. Thiel* (1/28 - 6 p.m.) at Westminster* (1/31 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Bethany is 24-18 all-time against Thiel and 6-5 against Westminster ... Last season, the Bison split the season series with Thiel and went 1-2 against Westminster ... The Bison defeated both teams at home and lost all three road contests ... The Bison ended the season with two consecutive losses to the Titans, in the season finale by a score of 72-66, then in the PAC Tournament three days later by a score of 76-60 ... **Katie Hardie** averaged 18.5 ppg. and 7.0 rpg. against Thiel last season, while **Kelley Richardson** recorded 23 points and nine rebounds in the PAC Tournament loss to Westminster.

THIEL TOMCATS (5-12 Overall, 0-3 PAC)

at Bethany* (1/28 - 6 p.m.) vs. Waynesburg* (1/31 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Tomcats split the season series with Bethany last year, earning a 69-66 home win before suffering an 80-64 loss in Bethany ... Waynesburg took all three contests against Thiel last season, winning 59-36 in Waynesburg and 57-48 in Greenville and earning a 52-44 victory in Waynesburg in the PAC semifinals.

GROVE CITY LADY WOLVERINES (8-7 Overall, 1-2 PAC)

vs. Waynesburg* (1/28 - 5:30 p.m.) at Washington & Jefferson* (1/31 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1); www.nsnsports.com (1/31) Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City looks to even its record in the conference Wednesday night against Waynesburg ... Grove City owns 16 consecutive wins over Waynesburg overall and has not lost at home to the Yellow Jackets since 1995, a span of nine games ... Grove City eliminated Waynesburg from the PAC Tournament last year with a 77-69 semifinal victory at Washington, Pa. ... Grove City lost to Washington and Jefferson in the tournament finals in 2003, extending Grove City's losing streak against the Presidents to four.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (10-4 Overall, 2-1 PAC)

vs. Westminster* (1/28 - 6 p.m.) vs. Grove City* (1/31 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7)

Upcoming Game Notes: W&J hosts Westminster on Wednesday with the Titans holding a one-game lead over the Presidents in the PAC standings ... Westminster has taken seven of the 12 previous meetings, but W&J claimed all three contests last season, including 68-54 and 81-77 decisions at the Henry Memorial Center ... **Shawndra McDonald** owned the Lady Titans last season as she averaged 20.6 points and 5.3 assists per game ... W&J and Grove City have met 45 times with W&J holding a 26-19 lead ... **Leigh Sulkowski** averaged 15.6 points and 9.0 boards per game in three President wins last season.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (7-7 Overall, 0-3 PAC)

at Grove City* (1/28 - 5:30 p.m.) at Thiel* (1/31 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7); www.waynesburg.edu Upcoming Game Notes: The Jackets will play the two most common PAC opponents from last year this week when they travel to both Grove City and Thiel ... Last year, the Jackets lost three games to Grove City, including a 77-69 setback in the PAC semifinals, along with a home loss (53-52) and a road loss (65-50) ... The Jackets had better luck with Thiel, defeating the Tomcats four times last year, including a 52-44 win in the PAC quarterfinals, three days after a 57-48 win on the road ... The Jackets also won a neutral site game, 50-43, and a home game, 59-36.

WESTMINSTER LADY TITANS (10-6 Overall, 3-0 PAC)

at Wash. & Jeff.* (1/28 - 6 p.m.) vs. Bethany* (1/31 - 1 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9) on 1/28 only; Westminster

Cable Network (WCN) on 1/31 only

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Titans face the two regionally-ranked teams in the PAC this week, traveling to defending league champion W&J before hosting PAC coleader Bethany ... Westminster nearly upset W&J in the PAC semifinals a year ago, before a late W&J rally clinched an 81-77 win ... The Presidents won both regular season meetings, 68-57 in New Wilmington and 68-54 in Washington ... Westminster fell at Bethany 73-54 a year ago, before posting a pair of home wins: 72-66 in the regular season finale and 76-60 in the PAC Tournament First Round.