

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2004-05

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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FINAL 2004-05 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS

	PAC Games			All Games		
School	<u>W</u>	L	Pct.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.
Washington & Jefferson College	8	2	.800	20	5	.800
Grove City College	8	2	.800	16	8	.667
Westminster College	7	3	.700	17	7	.708
Bethany College	4	6	.400	9	15	.375
Thiel College	2	8	.200	6	19	.240
Waynesburg College	1	9	.100	10	13	.435

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, February 14

Westminster 66, PENN STATE-ALTOONA 51

Wednesday, February 16

WAYNESBURG 62, Bethany 57*
Grove City 79, THIEL 67*
WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 59, Westminster 47*

Saturday, February 19

GROVE CITY 76, Bethany 61* Washington & Jefferson 86, THIEL 73* WESTMINSTER 67, Waynesburg 48*

END OF 2004-05 REGULAR SEASON

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

2005 PAC CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

First Round - Tuesday, February 22 #6 Waynesburg at #3 Westminster - 6 p.m. #5 Thiel at #4 Bethany - 7:30 p.m.

<u>Semifinals - Friday, February 25 (at Washington & Jefferson)</u> Highest remaining seed vs. #2 Grove City - 6 p.m. Lowest remaining seed at #1 Washington & Jefferson - 8 p.m.

<u>Championship - Saturday, February 26 (at W&J)</u> 2 p.m.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

ABBY MOOSE

Grove City College

5-6 Senior Guard New Wilmington, Pa./Mercer H.S.

Moose averaged 24.0 points, 6.0 rebounds and 3.5 steals per game while leading Grove City to PAC wins over Thiel (79-67) and Bethany (76-61) las week, extending the Wolverines' win streak to eight games. She posted 20 points, six rebounds, four assists and three steals against the Tomcats Wednesday, then recorded a career-high 28 points while adding six rebounds and four steals against the Bison on Saturday.

Also nominated was junior F **Jenny Place** of Bethany, junior G **Dayna Greenfield** of Washington & Jefferson, sophomore G **Katie Lewandowski** of Waynesburg, and sophomore G **Desiree Sterling** of Westminster.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES

Bethany Bison

The Bison women fell to previously-PAC winless Waynesburg (62-57) Wednesday and Grove City (75-61) Saturday ... Against Waynesburg, Nikki Babik scored 25 points in the loss while Jenny Place contributed 11 points and seven rebounds Defensive specialist Nicole Vlajkovich earned 15 rebounds for the Bison ... Grove City jumped out in front of the Bethany women to sweep the series between the two schools ... Jenny Place recorded her second double-double of the season by scoring 19 points and 11 rebounds in the loss ... Katie Resonavich went 11-of-11 from the line en route scoring 19 points for Bethany.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J ended its two-game slide and clinched the regular-season PAC title with wins over Westminster and Thiel ... Juniors F Lauren Slampak and PG Dayna Greenfield both scored 16 points to lead the Presidents past Westminster, 59-47, Wednesday ... The Presidents shot 55 percent in the second half ... Senior F Tara Wilmus had a career-high 10 rebounds ... Junior C Sheana Malyszka came off the bench to notch 11 points in 17 minutes ... Greenfield paced five Presidents in double figures with 19 points in the win over Thiel ... Junior F Amanda Stanonik added 16 points, four rebounds and three steals, while junior G Courtney Janczak fired in 14 points ... Slampak and Malyszka notched 12 and 10 points, respectively.

Grove City Lady Wolverines

Grove City extended its win streak to eight last week with two wins ... It is GCC's longest streak since 1997, when Grove City won eight straight between the 1996-97 and 1997-98 seasons ... Abby Moose extended her personal streak of 20-point games to six with a career-high 28 points against Bethany Saturday ... She was 4-for-6 beyond the arc ... Rachel McCoy added 17 points while Jocelyn Kempema tallied 13 ... Kempema also fired in 16 points at Thiel while McCoy posted 13 points and a career-high six assists ... Grove City went 5-0 on the road in PAC play ... Kempema, Moose, Sandy O'Keefe and Rachel Romance were honored Saturday as part of Senior Day festivities.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg broke into the PAC win column this week with a 62-57 victory over Bethany before losing its final regular season game to Westminster, 67-48 ... The Yellow Jacket win over the Bison prevented their fourth winless season in PAC play over the last six years ... Guards Rachel Dillon and Katie Lewandowski combined to score 34 points in the win ... Lewandowski led the Jackets with 18 points on 6-of-11 attempts, including 5-of-9 from beyond the arc ... Lila St. Denis led WC with nine rebounds in the win ... The conference win was the first for the WC program since the 64-54 victory over Thiel on Feb. 21, 2004 ... The Yellow Jackets committed a season-high 29 turnovers in the Westminster loss.

Thiel Tomcats

Thiel closed out the PAC regular season dropping a pair of contests last week ... The Tomcats fell at home in both, losing to Grove City 79-67 Wednesday and to W&J 86-73 Saturday ... Senior F Kristen Benjamin had 15 points and eight rebounds while sophomore F Fontella Jones totaled 15 points and six rebounds in the Grove City loss ... Junior G Heather Abate finished with 14 ... Against W&J, Benjamin totaled 20 points and 12 rebounds for the Tomcats ... Jones finished with 20 points and six rebounds while Abate and sophomore G Nicole Valentino added 13 and 12, respectively.

Westminster Lady Titans

Westminster went 2-1 in the final week of the regular season ... The Lady Titans won their final non-league game at Penn State-Altoona 66-51 Monday, then fell at W&J 59-47 Wednesday before closing with a 67-48 home win vs. Waynesburg Saturday ... Westminster outrebounded PS-A 42-14 Monday, as senior F Erica Tallo led the way with a double-double of 19 points and 11 rebounds ... Senior F Mary Jane Eaton tallied a team-best 16 points in the W&J loss ... Senior G Alyson Gasper recorded a career-high 21 points while adding four assists and a team-high five steals in the win over the Jackets, while sophomore G Desiree Sterling added 19 points, a game-high five assists and four steals against Waynesburg.

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: Mary Jane Eaton, F, Westminster

February 6: Abby Moose, G, Grove City

February 13: Rachel McCoy, F, Grove City

February 20: Abby Moose, G, Grove City

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON (9-15 Overall, 4-6 PAC)

vs. Thiel (2/22 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1)

Upcoming Game Notes: The defending 2004 PAC Champions head into post-season play trying to snap a threegame losing streak ... The Bison women averaged 77.5 ppg against Thiel in the first two meetings between the two schools and gave up 71 ppg ... Bethany earned a 77-67 home victory over the Tomcats on Jan. 15 behind Courtney Irwin's 20 points and Katie Resanovich's career-high 15 rebounds ... Nikki Babik scored 24 points in the second meeting to steal a 78-75 victory over Thiel on the road ... Irwin came up large at the end as the sophomore scored her team's final six points to hold off the Tomcats.

THIEL TOMCATS (6-19 Overall, 2-8 PAC) at Bethany# (2/22 - 7:30 p.m.)

Radio/TV: None

Upcoming Game Notes: The fifth-seeded Tomcats travel to fourth-seeded Bethany Tuesday evening for a PAC Women's Basketball Championship first round matchup ... Thiel is currently 14-30 all-time against the Bison and has dropped eight of the last 10 meetings between the two programs, including four straight ... Senior F **Kristen Benjamin** and sophomore G **Nicole Valentino** each averaged 16.5 ppg against the Bison this season.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (10-13 Overall, 1-9 PAC)

at Westminster# (2/22 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: None

Upcoming Game Notes: During the past four seasons, the Yellow Jackets have won a combined 42 games, the most in a four-year span since 1994-97 ... With its 10 regular season wins, Waynesburg reached double-digit wins for just the second time in the last 10 seasons ... #6 Waynesburg faces #3 Westminster in the opening round of the PAC Tournament Tuesday ... The Yellow Jackets lost in the opening round of last season's PAC Tournament 61-43 at Grove City ... The last tournament win for Waynesburg occurred in the opening round of the 2002-03 tournament, a 52-44 victory over Thiel ... In the semifinal round of that season, the Jackets were defeated by Grove City.

GROVE CITY WOLVERINES (16-8 Overall, 8-2 PAC)

vs.TBA (at W&J)# (2/25 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WSAJ-FM (91.1), www.msasportsnetwork.com Upcoming Game Notes: Grove City is looking for its first PAC title since 1987 ... The Wolverines have eight runner-up finishes since then ... Abby Moose and Rachel McCoy have both gone over the 300-point mark for this season ... It is the first time since 1991-92 that Grove City has had two 300-point scorers ... Eight different Wolverines have scored at least 100 points this year ... It is the first time that Grove City has reached that mark since 2001-02 ... Grove City is 4-5 in the PAC Tournament since the 1999-2000 season ... Grove City has never played Thiel or Westminster in the PAC Tournament.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (20-5 Overall, 8-2 PAC)

vs.TBA# (2/25 - 8 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WNJR-FM (91.7), www.washjeff.edu
Upcoming Game Notes: Washington & Jefferson will take on Bethany, Thiel or Waynesburg in Friday's second semifinal at the Henry Memorial Center ... The Presidents split a pair of meetings against the Bison in 2004-05 and swept both Thiel and Waynesburg ... W&J last hosted the PAC Tournament in 2002-03 when the Presidents posted victories over Westminster (81-77) in the semis and Grove City (72-63) in the title game ... W&J edged Westminster in last year's PAC semifinals at Bethany, 55-53, before falling to Bethany in the championship game, 83-74, despite the heroics of Leigh Sulkowski, who scored 26 of her 31 points in the first half.

WESTMINSTER LADY TITANS (17-7 Overall, 7-3 PAC)

vs. Waynesburg* (2/22 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WWNW-FM (88.9), <u>www.msasportsnetwork.com;</u> Westminster Cable Network (WCN)

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Titans open the 2005 PAC Tournament with a home game against Waynesburg for the second time in four days ... On Saturday, Westminster toppled the Yellow Jackets 67-48 as **Alyson Gasper** recorded a career-high 21 points ... The two teams met in Waynesburg on Jan. 29, with the Lady Titans coming away on top, 64-51 ... Senior F **Mary Jane Eaton** scored a teamhigh 17 points in the victory for Westminster.