

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2004-05

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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CURRENT 2004-05 REGULAR SEASON STANDINGS (through Dec. 12, 2004)

	PAC Games			All Games		
School	<u>W</u>	L	Pct.	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	Pct.
Washington & Jefferson College	0	0	.000	6	1	.857
Westminster College	0	0	.000	7	2	.778
Grove City College	0	0	.000	5	2	.714
Waynesburg College	0	0	.000	5	4	.556
Thiel College	0	0	.000	3	7	.300
Bethany College	0	0	.000	2	6	.250

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday, December 6 Thiel 73, CHATHAM 51 Westminster 60, WOOSTER 56

Tuesday, December 7

WAYNESBURG 58, Penn State-Altoona 48 WITTENBERG 72, Bethany 41

Wednesday, December 8 GROVE CITY 71, Wooster 69 MEDAILLE 75, Thiel 47

Thursday, December 9

Grove City 68, PITT-BRADFORD 57 Waynesburg 89, MOUNT ALOYSIUS 47

Friday, December 10

THIEL 66, Ursuline 49 Westminster 47, Fredonia State 36!

Saturday, December 11

Washington & Jefferson 77, CARNEGIE MELLON 56 Westminster 53, PENN STATE-BEHREND 44! Pitt-Greensburg 74, BETHANY 59

! - at Penn State-Behrend Invitational - Erie, Pa.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 15 Otterbein at Bethany - 7:30 p.m.

Friday, December 17

Notre Dame (Ohio) at Thiel - 7 p.m.

Friday-Saturday, December 17-18

Washington & Jefferson at Defiance Invitational

Monday, December 20

Muskingum at Bethany - 5 p.m. Westminster at Allegheny - 7 p.m. Wednesday, December 29

Grove City at John Carroll - 7 p.m.

Wednesday-Thursday, December 29-30

Washington & Jefferson at Marymount Invitational

Thursday, December 30

Ohio Wesleyan at Westminster - 6 p.m. Grove City at Mount Union - 7 p.m. Thiel at Heidelberg - 7 p.m.

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

KRISTEN BENJAMIN Thiel College

6-2 Senior Forward Kent, Ohio/Kent Roosevelt H.S.

Benjamin averaged 19.3 points, 7.0 rebounds, 3.0 steals and 1.7 blocks while leading the Tomcats to a 2-1 record last week. She shot 67.5 percent (27-of-40) from the field for the week and scored a career-high 24 points as Thiel won its home opener over Ursuline 66-49.

Also nominated was senior G **Abby Moose** of Grove City, junior F **Lauren Slampak** 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 lost both of their games last week, at Wittenberg (72-41) Tuesday and at home vs. Pitt-Greensburg (74-59) Saturday ... At Wittenberg, the Tigers forced Bethany to shoot just 30.4-percent (17of-56) from the field, including 27.6-percent (8-of-29) in the second half ... Junior Jenny Place led the Bison with 12 points and seven rebounds ... Pitt-Greensburg used a huge second half to pull away from Bethany Saturday ... The Bison went into halftime leading 28-26, but the Bobcats outscored BC 48-31 in the second stanza behind 61.3-percent (19-of-31) shooting from the field ... Place again led Bethany with 15 points, while Katie Resanovich and Nicole Vlajkovich each added 12 points.

Wash. & Jeff. Presidents

W&J's win streak went to six games after the Presidents dropped Carnegie Mellon, 77-56, Saturday in Pittsburgh ... W&J led by just one point (35-34) at halftime, but the lead stretched to 69-52 with seven minutes left in the game on a threepointer by junior G Leigh Sulkowski ... Junior F Lauren Slampak made 7-of-9 shots from the floor to lead five Presidents in double figures with 15 points and five rebounds ... Sulkowski and junior PG Dayna Greenfield both scored 14 points ... Greenfield added seven assists and three steals ... Junior F Amanda Stanonik chipped in with 13 points and four steals, while junior G Courtney Janczak turned in a 12-point, five-assists effort ... Janczak and Stanonik both hit three treys.

Grove City Lady Wolverines

Grove City extended its win streak to three last week with victories on backto-back nights ... Abby Moose fired in 20 points and had a career-high 10 assists as Grove City held off Wooster ... She moved into eighth place on Grove City's all-time scoring list ... Moose now has 985 career points ... Junior Tammy Hess added a season-high 13 points on 5-of-7 shooting ... Thursday night, Sandy O'Keefe led Grove City with 15 points and eight rebounds against Pitt-Bradford ... Moose added 13 points and four assists at Bradford, while Rachel McCoy chipped in 12 points and seven boards ... At 5-2, Grove City is off to its best start since the 2000-2001 season, when the Wolverines opened 8-1.

Waynesburg Yellow Jackets

Waynesburg increased its win streak to three with wins over Penn State-Altoona and Mt. Aloysius ... Candice Eyerman and Katie Lewandowski have been at the forefront of the Yellow Jackets' scoring the past two games ... In the wins against PSU-Altoona and at Mt. Aloysius, Eyerman scored 17 points in both contests, while Lewandowski netted 17 and 15 ... Lewandowski also posted a teamhigh 10 assists during the week ... Against the Mounties, Waynesburg jumped out to a 47-15 halftime lead, including a 15-0 run to start the game ... The Jackets shot a season-best 48.4 percent from the field in the 42-point win over the Mounties ... Lila St. Denis averaged 10 rebounds per game during the week.

Thiel Tomcats

Thiel went 2-1 on the week ... The Tomcats earned a 73-51 win at Chatham Monday before losing at Medaille 47-75 Wednesday ... Thiel opened its home slate Friday with a 66-49 victory over Ursuline ... Senior F Kristen Benjamin totaled 19 points, seven rebounds and six steals against Chatham, followed by junior G Heather Abate's 16-point effort ... Benjamin paced the Tomcats in the Medaille loss, going for 15 points and six boards ... She was the lone Tomcat in double figures as Thiel shot just 29.1% from the field ... Benjamin's week concluded with a career-high 24 points and eight rebounds in a 73-51 home win over Ursuline ... Sophomore G Nicole Valentino added 16 points and six boards.

Westminster Lady Titans

Westminster went 3-0 last week, winning at Wooster (60-56) before capturing the Penn State-Behrend Invitational in Erie with victories over Fredonia State (47-36) and the host Lions (53-44) ... Senior F Erica Tallo became the sixth 1,000-point scorer in Lady Titan basketball history with a basket with 11:51 left in the first half against Fredonia ... Earlier in the week, Tallo scored a team-high 17 points in the Wooster win ... Sophomore G Desiree Sterling was named Tournament MVP at Behrend after averaging 15.0 ppg in the two wins ... She was joined on the all-tournament team by senior F Mary Jane Eaton, who hauled in a team-high 12 rebounds in each of the two tournament victories.

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:

January 9:

January 16:

January 23:

January 30:

February 6:

February 13:

February 20:

PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEWS

BETHANY BISON

(2-6 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Otterbein (12/15 - 7:30 p.m.) vs. Muskingum (12/20 - 5 p.m.)

Radio/TV: WVBC-FM (88.1)

Upcoming Game Notes: The Bison will look to break out of a two-game skid on Wednesday at home against Otterbein ... Bethany lost at home to Otterbein last season by a score of 85-67, as the Cardinals lead the all-time series, 2-1 ... Bison senior guard **Nikki Babik** needs just 35 more points to become the 13th Bethany women's basketball player to reach 1,000 career points.

GROVE CITY LADY WOLVERINES (5-2 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at John Carroll (12/29 - 7 p.m.) at Mount Union (12/30 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Wolverines are off for final examinations ... Grove City returns to action Dec. 29 against John Carroll ... The Wolverines play at Mount Union on the 30th.

THIEL TOMCATS (3-7 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

vs. Notre Dame (Ohio) (12/17 - 7 p.m.) at Heidelberg (12/30 - 7 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Thiel hosts Notre Dame (OH) in its only contest of the week on Friday at 7 p.m. ... The Falcons downed Thiel 85-48 last season in South Euclid, Ohio ... **Fontella Jones** was the only Tomcat in double figures, totaling 10 points and six rebounds in the loss.

WASH. & JEFF. PRESIDENTS (6-1 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at Defiance Invitational (12/17-18) at Marymount Invitational (12/29-30)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: Washington & Jefferson heads to the Defiance Tournament this Friday and Saturday where it joins Defiance, Muskingum and Tri-State ... Muskingum is the only school that the Presidents have played in history as W&J has taken two of the three lifetime meetings versus the Muskies ... W&J dropped an 84-52 decision at Muskingum in the last meeting between the two schools during the 1995-96 season.

WAYNESBURG YELLOW JACKETS (5-4 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

No games scheduled

Radio/TV: WCYJ-FM (88.7), <u>www.waynesburg.edu</u> **Upcoming Game Notes:** Waynesburg is off until Jan. 5, 2005, when the Yellow Jackets travel to Juniata for a 7 p.m. tip-off.

WESTMINSTER LADY TITANS (7-2 Overall, 0-0 PAC)

at Allegheny (12/20 - 7 p.m.) vs. Ohio Wesleyan (12/30 - 6 p.m.)

Radio/TV: none

Upcoming Game Notes: The Lady Titans will look to extend their four-game win streak when they travel to Meadville to face Allegheny College in a non-league game on Dec. 20 ... Westminster defeated the Gators 66-58 in New Wilmington last season, as Desiree Sterling scored a team-high 15 points while Erica Tallo hauled in a game-high 14 rebounds ... The Lady Titans will face another foe from the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC) when they host Ohio Wesleyan on Dec. 30 ... The two teams did not meet last season.