

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2007-08

Presidents' Athletic Conference

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PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (PAC) 2008 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT February 26, 29; March 1, 2008 - Campus Sites

PAC TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND GAMES - 2/26/08 First Round Game #1 - New Wilmington, Pa. - 6 p.m.

#4 WESTMINSTER 61, #5 Chatham 41

The Titans led by just four points (25-21) at the half, but outscored the Cougars 36-20 in the decisive second period to advance to the semifinals. Senior G/F Emilee Ackerman (Greensburg, PA/Hempfield H.S.) led Westminster with a 25-point, 10-rebound double-double, while adding a game-high six steals. Also for the Titans, sophomore G/F Amy Dolsak (McDonald, OH/McDonald H.S.) added 19 markers. Chatham, participating in its first PAC Tournament, was paced freshman G/F Kayla Hilko (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin H.S.) with 13 points, while freshman G/F Barb Petty (Amelia, OH/Glen Este H.S.) contributed 10 markers.

First Round Game #2 - Bethany, W.Va. - 7 p.m. #6 Grove City 71, #3 BETHANY 68

The upset of the night of the women's side saw Grove City overcome a 68-62 deficit with 1:14 to play by closing the game with a 9-0 run. The Wolverines went ahead for good at 69-68 with 20 seconds to play on a layup by freshman F Christine Slater (Aliquippa, PA/Center H.S.), who led Grove City with a team-leading double-double of 24 points and 11 rebounds. Sophomore F Krista Beechy (Winesburg, OH/Berlin Hiland H.S.) added 13 points and nine caroms, while senior F Brittany Anderson (Chagrin Fals, OH/Chagrin Falls H.S.) had a near triple-double with 10 points, 11 boards and a game-high seven blocked shots. For Bethany, junior G Kaitlyn McCormick (Wheeling, WV/Wheeling Park H.S.) led the offense with 14 points, while freshman G Kelly Goode (Pleasant Plain, OH/Little Miami H.S.) added 10 points, 10 rebounds and four steals in the loss for the Bison.

First Round Game #3 - Washington, Pa. - 6 p.m. #2 WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON 94, #7 Thiel 57

The Presidents outrebounded the Tomcats 48-27 en route to the opening round victory. Washington & Jefferson was led by the duo of sophomore F Maggie Gibson (Greensburg, PA/Greensburg Central Catholic H.S.) and junior F Emily Hays (Youngstown, OH/Boardman H.S.) with 19 points apiece, while sophomore G Stephanie Smith (Grove City, PA/Grove City H.S.) added 12. Gibson also grabbed a game-high eight rebounds. Thiel was paced by freshman F Kim Stitt (Hermitage, PA/Hickory H.S.) with team-high totals of 15 points and nine rebounds, while junior G Catie Sieber (Glenshaw, PA/Shaler H.S.) contributed 12 points in defeat.

First Round Game #4 - Crestview Hills, Ky. - 6 p.m. #1 THOMAS MORE 61, #8 Waynesburg 33

The top-seeded Saints improved to a perfect 26-0 and earned hosting rights for the semifinal and final rounds of the PAC Tournament with a decisive win over Waynesburg. Leading the Thomas More offensive attack was junior G Jayme Thiem (Cold Spring, KY/Newport Central Catholic H.S.) with 15 points, while junior G Alex Gee (Cincinnati, OH/Glen Este H.S.) posted 11 and senior F Tandrea Sellers (Florence, KY/Boone County H.S.) added 10. For the Yellow Jackets, junior F Michaelene

Jones (Steubenville, OH/Steubenville H.S.) led the way with 12 points, while junior F Jeannette Wonsettler (Mount Morris, PA/Waynesburg Central H.S.) tallied 10 markers in the loss.

PAC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINAL GAMES - 2/29/08 Semifinal Game #1 - Crestview Hills, Ky. - 6 p.m. #4 Westminster 82, #2 Washington & Jefferson 77 (ot)

The Titans and Presidents needed an extra session to decide a winner, as Westminster used a stellar performance at the foul line to upset W&J and advance to the PAC title game for the second consecutive year. For the game, the Titans connected on 26-of-27 free throws (96.3%), including a perfect 23-of-23 in the second half and overtime. For Westminster, leading the way was senior G/F Emilee Ackerman (Greensburg, PA/Hempfield H.S.), who fired in a game-high 36 points, including 16-of-16 accuracy from the charity stripe. Junior G Gina Brunetti (Canfield, OH/Cardinal Mooney H.S.) and senior F Terese Marszalek (Monroeville, PA/Gateway H.S.) added 13 and 12 points, respectively, in the win. For Washington & Jefferson, sophomore G Kennan Killeen (Pittsburgh, PA/Mount Lebanon H.S.) posted team-high totals of 20 points and six assists, while sophomore G Stephanie Smith (Grove City, PA/Grove City H.S.) added 14 markers.

Semifinal Game #2 - Crestview Hills, Ky. - 8 p.m. #1 THOMAS MORE 75, #6 Grove City 27

The unbeaten and top-seeded Saints rolled to a 40-12 halftime advantage and never looked back, as they advanced to face Westminster in a rematch of the 2007 PAC title game (won by TMC 59-50). TMC dominated the stat page, including a 56-33 team rebounding margin. A total of 13 different Saints dented the scoring column, with senior F **Tandrea Sellers (Florence, KY/Boone County H.S.)** pacing a balanced attack with 10 points. Senior F **Brittany Anderson (Chagrin Falls, OH/Chagrin Falls H.S.)** paced all scorers with 12 markers for Grove City.

PAC TOURNAMENT - UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Championship - Saturday, March 1 (at Thomas More College - Crestview Hills, Ky.) #1 THOMAS MORE 65, #4 Westminster 58

The Saints completed an historic 28-0 regular season campaign by holding off an upset-minded Titan squad in the closing minutes and earning the PAC's first-ever automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Women's Basketball Tournament. For TMC, freshman C Nicole Dickman (Park Hills, KY/Notre Dame Academy H.S.) led the way with a double-double of 20 points and 10 rebounds. Junior G Jayme Thiem (Cold Spring, KY/Newport Central Catholic H.S.) added 17 markers in the victory. For Westminster, senior G/F Emilee Ackerman (Greensburg, PA/Hempfield H.S.) posted game-high totals of 21 points and 13 rebounds, while senior F Terese Marszalek (Monroeville, PA/Gateway H.S.) added 11 points.