

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 2005-06

#### Presidents' Athletic Conference

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# PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (PAC) 2006 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT February 21-24-25, 2006

#### FINAL 2006 PAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STANDINGS\*

- 1. Washington & Jefferson (22-4)
- 2. Thomas More (21-8)
- 3t. Waynesburg (14-13)
- 3t. Bethany (9-17)
- 3t. Thiel (8-18)
- 6. Westminster (8-19)
- 7. Grove City (7-19)

#### PAC TOURNAMENT FIRST ROUND GAMES - 2/21/06

First Round Game #1 - Crestview Hills, Ky. #2 THOMAS MORE 72, #7 Grove City 59

The Saints, in their first-ever PAC Tournament game, raced to a 39-22 half-time lead and held on to advance to the semifinal round. Leading the way for Thomas more was freshman G Alex Gee (Cincinnati, OH/Glen Este H.S.) with 17 points on 6-of-7 shooting from the field, including 5-of-6 from three-point range. Junior F Brooke Warner (Maineville, OH/Kings H.S.) posted a double-double with 16 points and a team-high 10 rebounds, while classmate Megan Wood (Falmouth, KY/Pendleton County H.S.) added 11 points in the win. Grove City was paced by junior G Elyse Bogusz (Chagrin Falls, OH/Cuyahoga Valley Christian H.S.) with 16 points, while sophomore F Rachel McCoy (East Liverpool, OH/Beaver Local H.S.) added a 14-point, 10-rebound double-double in defeat.

#### First Round Game #2 - Greenville, Pa.

#6 Westminster 75, #3 THIEL 39

The Lady Titans opened defense of their 2005 PAC title with a lopsided road win at Thiel, as Westminster raced to a 44-11 halftime lead and was never threatened in the second half. Sophomore F Terese Marszalek (Monroeville, PA/Gateway H.S.) led the way with game-high totals of 22 points (on 10-of-13 shooting) and 12 rebounds in the win. Sophomore G/F Emilee Ackerman (Greensburg, PA/Hempfield H.S.) and junior G Rachel Eaton (Rimersburg, PA/Union H.S.) added 16 and 11 points, respectively. Thiel was paced by senior G Heather Abate (Kittanning, PA/Ford City H.S.) and freshman F Amber Bodrick (Boardman, OH/Cardinal Mooney H.S.) with 12 points apiece, while junior F Fontella Jones (Farrell, PA/Farrell H.S.) posted a game-high five steals in the loss.

## First Round Game #3 - Bethany, W.Va. #5 Waynesburg 89, #4 BETHANY 83

Junior G Katie Lewandowski (Pittsburgh, PA/North Catholic H.S.) led four Waynesburg double-digit scorers with 27 points (including five three-pointers), as the Yellow Jackets advanced with a road win at Bethany, Senior G Rachel Dillon (Erie, PA/McDowell H.S.) added 18 points and four steals in the win, while junior F Denise Kennedy (Berlin, PA/Berlin-Brothersvalley H.S.) added 16 points and a team-best nine rebounds. The Bison were led by senior G/F Jenny Place (Farmdale, OH/Badger H.S.) with a game-high 34 points on 12-of-21 shooting from the field, while junior F Courtney Irwin (Sturgeon, PA/South Fayette H.S.) contributed 13 points in the loss.

#### PAC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINAL GAMES - 2/24/06 First Round Game #1 - Washington, Pa.

#2 Thomas More 67, #5 Waynesburg 41

The Saints raced to a 38-21 halftime lead en route to advancing to the PAC title game in their first year in the league. Thomas More was paced offensively by senior G Christian Stefanopolous (Florence, KY/Boone County H.S.) with a game-high 16 points. Junior F Megan Wood (Falmouth, KY/Pendleton County H.S.) added 11 markers in the victory, while sophomore F Kristen Humphrey (New Richmond, OH/CHCA H.S.) grabbed a team-high eight rebounds. Waynesburg freshman F Tonya Lewis (Finleyville, PA/Ringgold H.S.) was the lone Yellow Jacket to reach double figures in scoring, as she posted team-best totals of 10 points and eight rebounds.

### First Round Game #2 - Washington, Pa. #1 WASH. & JEFF. 67, #6 Westminster 64

The top-seeded Presidents led the entire opening half and took a 36-30 advantage into halftime, only to see the Lady Titans rally early in the second period and lead by as many as seven points (55-47) with 9:15 to play. The game was tied 62-62 when senior G Dayna Greenfield (Pittsburgh/Allderdice H.S.) hit a three-pointer to give W&J a 65-62 lead it would not relinquish with 1:43 left to play. Senior G Leigh Sulkowski (Upper St. Clair, PA/Upper St. Clair H.S.) posted a game-high 24 points for the Presidents, while Greenfield added 11 and freshman F Emily Hays (Youngstown, OH/Boardman H.S.) added a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds. For Westminster, sophomore G/F Emilee Ackerman (Greensburg, PA/Hempfield H.S.) scored a game-high 23 points, while junior F Talley Felger (Petersburg, OH/Springfield Local H.S.) grabbed a game-high 11 rebounds and junior G Rachel Eaton (Rimersburg, PA/Union H.S.) dished out a game-high eight assists in the loss for the Lady Titans.

#### PAC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP GAME - 2/25/06 Henry Memorial Center - Washington, Pa.

#1 WASH. & JEFF. 61, #2 Thomas More 58

The tournament's top two seeds battle through six lead changes and six ties during a nip-and-tuck opening half, which saw the second-seeded Saints close the period with a 4-0 run to take a 31-30 lead at the break. Thomas More posted an 12-1run midway through the second half, turning a 38-37 deficit into a 49-39 lead with 11:30 to play. W&J answered, however, with a 15-4 run of its own to take a 54-53 lead it would not relinquish with 6:12 left. After the Presidents took a 61-58 lead with 2:08 to play, the Saints missed five potential game-tying three-point attempts in the final 1:48. Washington & Jefferson was led by senior All-American G Leigh Sulkowski (Upper St. Clair, PA/Upper St. Clair H.S.) with a game-high 25 points, while becoming the 35th women's basketball player in NCAA Division III history to surpass 2,000 career points. Classmate Lauren Slampak (Uniontown, PA/Laurel Highlands H.S.) added 21 markers and a team-high five assists for the Presidents, while freshman F Emily Hays (Youngstown, OH/ Boardman H.S.) grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds. Thomas More was led by sophomore F Kristen Humphrey (New Richmond, OH/CHCA H.S.), who was the lone Saint to reach double figures in scoring with a team-high 21 markers. Senior G Christian Stefanopolous (Florence, KY/Boone County H.S.) dished out four assists in the loss.

<sup>\* -</sup> Top two places determined by tournament; remaining places determined by round-robin finish.



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## PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (PAC) 2006 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

FIRST TEAM					
<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	Pos.	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	Hometown/High School
Amber Bodrick	Thiel	F	5-8	Fr.	Boardman, OH/Cardinal Mooney
Jenny Place	Bethany	G/F	5-8	Sr.	Farmdale, OH/Badger
Amanda Stanonik	Wash. & Jeff.	G/F	5-11	Sr.	N. Versailles, PA/East Allegheny
Leigh Sulkowski	Wash. & Jeff.	G	6-0	Sr.	Upper St. Clair, PA/Upper St. Clair
Brooke Warner	Thomas More	F	5-9	Jr.	Maineville, OH/Kings
SECOND TEAM		_		٥.	
<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	Pos.	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	Hometown/High School
Candice Eyerman	Waynesburg	G	5-5	Sr.	Cranberry Twp., PA/Seneca Valley
Katie Lewandowski	Waynesburg	G	5-4	Jr.	Pittsburgh, PA/North Catholic
Rachel McCoy	Grove City	F	6-0	So.	East Liverpool, OH/Beaver Local
Desiree Sterling	Westminster	G	5-6	Jr.	Newton Falls, OH/Newton Falls
Christian Stephanopolous	Thomas More	G	5-7	Sr.	Florence, KY/Boone County
HONORABLE MENTION					
Name	School	Doc	Ht.	CI	Hometown/High School
	Thomas More	<u>Pos.</u> F	<u>111.</u> 5-10	<u>Cl.</u> So.	<u> </u>
Kristen Humphrey					New Richmond, OH/CHCA
Courtney Irwin	Bethany	F	5-10	Jr.	Sturgeon, PA/South Fayette
Denise Kennedy	Waynesburg	F	5-11	Jr.	Berlin, PA/Berlin-Brothersvalley
Renee Shehady	Bethany	G	5-5	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA/Oakland Catholic
Lauren Slampak	Wash. & Jeff.	F	6-0	Sr.	Uniontown, PA/Laurel Highlands

**2006 PAC PLAYER OFTHEYEAR: Leigh Sulkowski**, 6-0 Senior Guard, Wash. & Jeff. College **2006 PAC COACH OFTHEYEAR: Brian Neal**, Thomas More College