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NCAC Football Report

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**FULL NCAC SCHEDULE ON TAP;
WOOSTER LOOKS TO EXTEND 13-GAME WIN STREAK**

CLEVELAND -- The 2005 North Coast Athletic Conference football season is now in full swing with all 10 teams seeing conference action Saturday afternoon. Wabash (1-0, 3-0) and Earlham (0-1, 1-3) opened last week when the Little Giants defeated the Quakers by a 50-2 score. This week, Wabash travels to Ohio Wesleyan (0-0, 2-1). The Bishops, who were off last week, look to avenge a heartbreaking, 17-14 loss to the Little Giants in 2004. Earlham travels to Hiram (0-0, 0-3). The Quakers handled the Terriers last year, 40-0 in Richmond. Wooster (0-0, 3-0) is on a 13-game regular season winning streak after defeating Case by a 38-21 score last week. The Scots open their NCAC title defense at Allegheny (0-0, 0-3). The Gators were idle last week after opening the season with three losses, two in overtime. Wooster won last year's meeting, 35-13. Wittenberg (0-0, 0-3) looks to bounce back from its worst start since 1953 when it entertains Denison (0-0, 2-1). The Big Red are coming off a 49-21 decision over Gettysburg. The Tigers had the week off. The final game on the slate is a pair of teams looking for their first victory of 2005: Kenyon (0-0, 0-3) at Hiram (0-0,0-3). It is the Terriers' homecoming game and will be the day they dedicate their new Sports Center complex. Despite setting several offensive school records, the Lords fell to Kalamazoo last week, 38-26. Hiram was idle.

Grid Notebook: Senior quarterback **Larry Cappetto (Troy, MI/Troy)** passed for 287 yards and rushed for another 56 to lead DENISON past Gettysburg, 49-21. Cappetto threw for one touchdown, ran for two more and personally accounted for 343 of Denison's 505 yards of offense on the day. In 2005, Cappetto has completed 54 percent of his passes for 496 yards and leads the team in rushing with 126 yards on the ground. Senior tight end **Frank Roe (Antioch, CA/Antioch)** caught five passes for 124 yards to lead all receivers. Freshman **Brian Maxon (Zionsville, IN/Zionsville)** scored once rushing and once receiving for his first collegiate touchdowns. The Big Red defense sparked, forcing the Gettysburg offense into four turnovers. Sophomore **Ike Akusoba (Galena, OH/Big Walnut)** made 10 stops, recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass ... EARLHAM quarterback **James Jewell (Gary, IN/Roosevelt)** started against Wabash in place of injured all-conference quarterback **Justin Rummell (Ingalls, IN/Pendleton Hts.)**. He completed eight of 16 passes for 100 yards before he, too, went down to injury ... KENYON set single-game school records for total plays (99) and first downs (33) but still fell short against Kalamazoo, 38-26. Junior tailback **Alby Coombs (Boston, MA/Belmont Hill)** carried 34 times for 149 yards and three touchdowns, leading the Lord offense that piled up 556 yards. It was the second-best offensive total in Kenyon history and the best since 1969. Freshman cornerback **Joey Furnari (Suffield, CT/Phillips Academy)** broke up two passes, made his first interception of the year and led Kenyon with eight tackles. The Lords' four fumbles, however, turned into 21 Hornet points and proved to be the difference in the game ... OBERLIN fell to 1-2 with a 45-13 loss to Rose-Hulman. Sophomore wideout **Chris Schubert (Oberlin, OH/Oberlin)** accounted for 195 yards, highlighted by a 43-yard kick return. Sophomore defensive end

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 1

- Denison at Wittenberg, 1:00**
- Earlham at Hiram, 1:00**
- Kenyon at Oberlin, 1:00**
- Wabash at Ohio Wesleyan, 1:00**
- Wooster at Allegheny, 1:00**

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Saturday, September 24

- Wabash 50, Earlham 2**
- Denison 49, Gettysburg 21**
- Kalamazoo 38, Kenyon 26**
- Rose-Hulman 45, Oberlin 13**
- Wooster 38, Case 21**

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

CLEVELAND -- Denison senior **Larry Cappetto (Troy, MI/Troy)** and Wooster senior **Chris Craig (Newark, OH/Johnstown-Monroe)** have been named offensive and defensive "Players of the Week" for their performances in the North Coast Athletic Conference.

Cappetto, a 6-1, 188-pound quarterback, led the Big Red to a 49-21 rout of Gettysburg with three touchdowns. He was 18-of-27 in the air for 287 yards and a touchdown. He also led the team in rushing with 56 yards and two scores on six attempts. He accounted for 343 of Denison's 505 yards of total offense. On the season, Cappetto has completed 54 percent of his passes for 496 yards and two TDs. He is also the team's leading rusher with 126 yards and a 7.9 yards per carry average.

Craig, a 6-1, 210-pound strong safety, recovered a fumble and had a 20-yard interception return for a touchdown late in the fourth quarter to help the Fighting Scots seal their 38-21 victory over Case. He totalled five tackles, including three solo stops in the win. His interception was the third of his career -- all of which have been returned for scores.

NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2005 FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

* conference games

Allegheny College (0-0; 0-3)

S. 3	at Baldwin-Wallace L,	ot 17-23
S. 10	WESTMINSTER	L, ot 9-12
S. 17	at Wash. & Jefferson	L, 21-45
O. 1	WOOSTER	1:00
O. 8	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
O. 15	at Kenyon	1:00
O. 22	at Hiram	1:00
O. 29	WABASH	1:00
N. 5	at Earlham	1:00
N. 12	WITTENBERG	1:00

Denison University (0-0; 2-1)

S. 3	WAYNESBURG	W, 21-17
S. 10	at Case	L, 6-20
S. 24	GETTYSBURG	W, 49-21
O. 1	at Wittenberg	1:00
O. 8	HIRAM	1:00
O. 15	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
O. 22	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 29	OBERLIN	1:00
N. 5	at Wabash	1:00
N. 12	at Kenyon	1:00

Earlham College (0-1; 1-3) *local times

S. 3	ROSE-HULMAN	L, 41-48
S. 10	MANCHESTER	W, 69-62
S. 17	at Anderson	L, 7-48
S. 24	at Wabash	L, 2-50
O. 1	at Hiram	1:00
O. 8	WITTENBERG	1:00
O. 15	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 22	at Denison	1:00
O. 29	KENYON	1:00
N. 5	ALLEGHENY	1:00

Hiram College (0-0; 0-3)

S. 3	at Carnegie Mellon	L, 0-45
S. 10	BLUFFTON	L, 6-31
S. 17	WESTMINSTER	L, 7-38
O. 1	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 8	at Denison	1:00
O. 15	at Wittenberg	1:00
O. 22	ALLEGHENY	1:00
O. 29	at Wooster	1:00
N. 5	KENYON	1:00
N. 12	at Oberlin	1:00

Kenyon College (0-0; 0-3)

S. 10	CENTRE	L, 25-36
S. 17	CASE	L, 8-19
S. 24	at Kalamazoo	L, 26-38
O. 1	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 8	at Wooster	1:00
O. 15	ALLEGHENY	1:00
O. 22	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
O. 29	at Earlham	1:00
N. 5	at Hiram	1:00
N. 12	DENISON	1:00

Oberlin College (0-0; 1-2)

S. 3	CASE	L, 27-30
S. 10	at Macalester	W, 44-14
S. 24	at Rose-Hulman	L, 13-45
O. 1	KENYON	1:00
O. 8	at Wabash	1:00
O. 15	EARLHAM	1:00
O. 22	WOOSTER	1:00
O. 29	at Denison	1:00
N. 5	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
N. 12	HIRAM	1:00

Ohio Wesleyan University (0-0; 2-1)

S. 3	FRANKLIN	W, 30-14
S. 10	at Thiel	L, 36-39
S. 17	OLIVET	W, 21-7
O. 1	WABASH	1:00
O. 8	at Allegheny	1:00
O. 15	DENISON	1:00
O. 22	at Kenyon	1:00
O. 29	at Wittenberg	1:00
N. 5	OBERLIN	1:00
N. 12	at Wooster	1:00

Wabash College (1-0; 3-0) *local times

S. 10	KALAMAZOO	W, 46-6
S. 17	at Washington (Mo.)	W, 23-7
S. 24	EARLHAM	W, 50-2
O. 1	at Ohio Wesleyan	1:00
O. 8	OBERLIN	1:00
O. 15	at Wooster	1:00
O. 22	WITTENBERG	1:00
O. 29	at Allegheny	1:00
N. 5	DENISON	1:00
N. 12	at DePauw	1:07

Wittenberg University (0-0; 0-3)

S. 3	CAPITAL	L, 0-54
S. 10	at Dayton	L, 23-41
S. 17	at Alma	L, 27-38
O. 1	DENISON	1:00
O. 8	at Earlham	1:00
O. 15	HIRAM	1:00
O. 22	at Wabash	1:00
O. 29	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00
N. 5	WOOSTER	1:00
N. 12	at Allegheny	1:00

College of Wooster (0-0; 3-0)

S. 3	at Muskingum	W, 13-10
S. 10	MacMURRAY	W, 37-0
S. 24	at Case	W, 38-21
O. 1	at Allegheny	1:00
O. 8	KENYON	1:00
O. 15	WABASH	1:00
O. 22	at Oberlin	1:00
O. 29	HIRAM	1:00
N. 5	at Wittenberg	1:00
N. 12	OHIO WESLEYAN	1:00

GRID NOTES, con't: **Chris Pisani (Oak Park, IL/Fenwick)** made two tackles for a loss and also had two sacks ... **WABASH's** 50-2 victory in its conference opener over Earlham was its 10th straight homecoming victory. The Little Giants are now 27-12-1 all-time in homecoming games at Hollett Little Giant Stadium. A game-opening, 18-play, 69-yard drive ate up the first 10:23 of the game and set the tone for the rest of the victory over the Quakers. Senior quarterback **Russ Harbaugh (Evansville, IN/Bosse)** finished with 262 yards and three touchdowns. Junior wide receiver **Geoff Walker (Scherverville, IN/Lake Central)** posted career highs with six receptions and 95 yards. The Wabash defense put on a show, forcing four Earlham interceptions, and holding the Quaker offense to 158 yards on 49 plays. Senior linebacker **Josh Foster (Indianapolis, IN/Ben Davis)** had three solo tackles, a pass breakup, and a 23-yard interception return for a touchdown. The Little Giants received votes in the Sept. 20 AFCA Division III Coaches' Poll ... **WOOSTER**, ranked 21st in the most recent AFCA poll, extended their regular season win streak to 13 games with a 38-21 defeat of Case. Junior quarterback **Justin Schafer (Bethesda, OH/Union Local)** totaled 263 yards of offense and was part of three touchdowns. He completed passes to eight different

receivers and finished with 19-of-32 passing for 213 yards and two scores. Schafer was also the team's second-leading rusher with 50 yards on 14 carries, including a six-yard scamper for a touchdown. Senior strong safety **Chris Craig (Newark, OH/Johnstown-Monroe)** recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass, then returned it 20 yards for a touchdown. He also totaled five tackles, three solo. The interception was the third of his career - and all three of those nabs he has returned for touchdowns. Wooster is ranked 21st by AFCA.



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NCAC Fall Sports Update

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CLEVELAND -- Following is a capsule roundup of the NCAC's fall sports action.

CROSS COUNTRY REPORT

Denison hosts its annual Big Red Invitational Friday night, and taking advantage of the opportunity to preview the 2005 NCAC Championship course are Hiram, Kenyon and Wooster. Friday night, Wabash will also be in competition, at the University of Notre Dame Invitational. Saturday, Earlham hosts its own invitational and Wittenberg will be part of the field. The only other conference squad in action is Allegheny, which travels to participate in the Dickinson Invitational the same day. Oberlin and Ohio Wesleyan are idle this week.

Notes: It was a light week in terms of competition in NCAC cross country. HIRAM hosted a home meet for the first time in more than a decade when Ursuline and Lake Erie came to visit. In the women's 5,000-meter race, Hiram won with 19 points, followed by Ursuline with 50 and Lake Erie with 101. Terrier freshman **Lisa Taranto (Pittsburgh, PA/West Allegheny)** won the meet with a time of 21:37. The Terrier men outpaced Lake Erie, 19-52 in their meet. Sophomore **Alan Lottinville (Oxnard, CA/Oxnard)** won the 5K race in 20:21 ... OBERLIN's women's squad won the 11-team Otterbein Invitational, while the Yeowomen were third of nine. In the 6,000-meter women's meet, sophomore **Alison Doniger (Atherton, CA/Menlo Atherton)** paced the Yeowomen with a second-place finish in 22:56.9. Her teammate, junior **Ariane Burwell (San Francisco, CA/Urban School)**, was fourth in 23:01.3. Leading the Oberlin men was junior **Travis Grout (Jefferson, OH/Jefferson Area)**, who navigated the 8K course in 27:11.1 to finish in fourth place ... OHIO WESLEYAN competed at the Greater Louisville Classic. The Bishop men placed 28th in a field of 35 teams. The women were 18th of 32 squads. Freshman **Catie Coleman (Median, OH/Lodi Cloverleaf)** was the top Bishop in the women's meet in 53rd place with a time of 19:27.77 over 5,000 meters. Junior **Matt Kempton (Fredericktown, OH/Fredericktown)** paced the OWU men in 94th place. He covered the 8K course in 26:30.09 ... WITTENBERG finished second of four teams in the women's meet at the Roanoke Maroon Invitational in Salem, Virginia. The Tiger men finished fourth of six teams. Freshman **Abby McCutcheon (Lancaster, OH/Lancaster)** paced the women in ninth place with a time of 20:33.05 over 5,000 meters. Sophomore **Mike Echols (Springfield, OH/North)** was the first Tiger across the line in the men's race, finishing the 8,000-meter course in 28:36.94, good for 15th place.

FIELD HOCKEY REPORT

First-place Oberlin (4-1-0, 7-1-0), on a five-game winning streak, has two North Coast contests on tap this week. Kenyon (3-2-0, 5-2-0), currently tied for second, visits the Yeowomen Wednesday afternoon. The Ladies are the only team to have defeated Oberlin this season: They took a 1-0 decision over the Yeowomen in Gambier on September 8. Defending NCAC champion Wittenberg (2-2-0, 2-5-0) enters the week tied for fourth place and entertains Oberlin on Saturday afternoon. Ohio Wesleyan (3-2-0, 4-3-0), tied with Kenyon for second, visits Springfield Wednesday. Thursday afternoon features a matchup between two teams tied with the Tigers in fourth, Denison (2-2-0, 3-6-0) and Wooster (2-2-0, 2-5-0). It is the only contest of the week for the Big Red. Saturday, the Ladies travel to Wooster. Earlham (0-5-0, 0-7-0), currently in seventh place, has only a non-conference game versus Transylvania on Saturday scheduled this week.

Notes: DENISON split two conference contests last week, defeating Kenyon, 2-0, and losing to NCAC leader Oberlin, 3-1. Senior **Jenny Lacey (Phoenix, MD/Notre Dame Prep)** broke a scoreless tie in the 60th minute with the first of her two goals in the meeting with the Ladies. She also set up the Big Red's lone score against the Yeowomen ... EARLHAM was shut out in a pair of conference losses last week ... In addition to the 2-0 defeat at the hands of Denison, KENYON defeated Earlham, 7-0. Freshman **Kelly Adams (Lexington, MA/Lexington)** scored twice and assisted on another ... OBERLIN extended its winning streak to five with a 4-1 victory over Ohio Wesleyan and a 3-1 defeat of Denison. Freshman **Lela Hull (Cumberland, ME/Greeley)** led the way against the Bishops with two goals, and accounted for six of her team's 16 shots on goal. Freshman **Abigail Brox (Manchester, MA/St. George's School)** has scored three times and added two assists in the past three games, all victories. Oberlin faces the last team to defeat them, Kenyon, on Wednesday ... OHIO WESLEYAN dropped a pair of NCAC contests. Sophomore midfielder **Maggie Donovan (Westport, CT/Staples)** scored unassisted in the first half against Oberlin to tie the game at one before halftime, but the Yeowomen scored three unanswered goals in the second half to win, 4-1. The Bishops were locked in a scoreless tie with Wooster before the Scots finally broke through in the final seven minutes and won 2-0 ... WITTENBERG also split two games last week, defeating Earlham, 2-0, before falling to non-conference foe Centre, 1-0. Junior **Melissa Jackson (Worthington, OH/Worthington)** scored the game-winner against the Quakers in the 20th minute ... WOOSTER won its only contest last week, a 2-0 decision over Ohio Wesleyan. Senior forward **Katelin Bugler (Peabody, MA/Peabody)** scored two late goals just 1:46 apart, breaking a 273:54 minute scoreless streak for the Scots.

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MEN'S SOCCER REPORT

All 10 North Coast squads face a conference opponent over the second week of league play. First-place Wabash (2-0-0, 3-6-0), with its 2-0 record, is off to its best start since joining the NCAC in 1999. The Little Giants defeated Hiram, 2-1, last week and look to continue their winning run when they host two-time defending NCAC champion (tie) Wooster (0-1-0, 4-1-2) on Saturday. The Fighting Scots are coming off a 1-0 loss to Oberlin.

The Yeomen (1-0-0, 4-4-1) are one of four teams that currently all share second place in the standings courtesy of a win in their lone conference game to date. Oberlin, Allegheny, Ohio Wesleyan and Wittenberg all look to double their win totals this week. The Yeomen host Kenyon (0-2-0, 2-3-3) on Wednesday, while the Gators (1-0-0, 3-3-2) welcome Earlham (0-1-0, 1-7-0) the same day. The Battling Bishops (1-0-0, 8-0-0), the North Coast's only undefeated team, host Hiram (0-1-0, 1-5-0) and the Tigers (1-0-0, 4-3-3) welcome Denison (0-1-0, 2-6-0), both on Friday evening.

Each NCAC team, except Hiram and Kenyon, also has at least one non-conference game scheduled for this week.

Notes: Ohio Wesleyan is ranked fifth in the latest (Sept. 20) NSCAA/adidas national rankings. Wooster is tied with Hamilton (NY) in the 20th position. The Bishops are first in the Great Lakes Region, followed by Wooster in third ... ALLEGHENY picked up two wins last week. The Gators edged Baldwin-Wallace, 1-0, with a goal from freshman midfielder **Alex Habay (Gibsonia, PA/Knoch)**. Junior forward **Alan Carr (Blairstown, NJ/Blair Academy)** scored twice to hand Allegheny its first NCAC win of the season in a 2-1 victory over Denison. Denison opened the scoring under a minute into the game, but Carr tied the game in the 16th minute, then scored his second game-winner of the season with 11 minutes left on the clock. He leads Allegheny with four goals and eight points ... DENISON senior **Bill Dodson (Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel)** put the Big Red up 1-0 just 48 seconds into the Allegheny match when he sent a bicycle kick into the goal via a direct kick. Denison couldn't hold onto the lead and lost its first NCAC contest of the season. The Big Red also dropped a 3-1 decision to Mount Union last week. Junior **Brad Toth (Maumee, OH/St. John's)** leads Denison with three goals this season ... EARLHAM dropped a pair of games last week, falling to Taylor, 2-1 and to Ohio Wesleyan, 3-1. Freshman **Victor Anciano (San Antonio-Altos, Venezuela/Armand Hammer)** notched a goal against Taylor, while sophomore **Jacob O'Brien (Logansport, IN/Logansport)** accounted for the goal against the Bishops. Anciano leads the Quakers with five goals this season ... HIRAM scored seven goals on its way to a 2-1 week. The Terriers slipped past Alma, 1-0, and dominated Lake Erie, 5-0, before falling to Wabash, 2-1. Sophomore **Branko Bukvic (Novi Sad, Serbia/Mihajlo Pupin/Akron)** accounted for two of the Terriers' goals ... KENYON opened the week with its fifth consecutive double-overtime game, a 0-0 affair with Capital. Sophomore goalkeeper **Elliot Forhan (Athens, OH/Athens)** made eight saves to help keep Capital off the board. Forhan also registered seven saves in the Lords' 1-0 regulation loss at Wittenberg ... After being shut out in each of the last three years against Wooster, OBERLIN returned the favor, shutting down the host Fighting Scots for a 1-0 victory in both schools' NCAC opener. The Scots had won each of the last five meetings against Oberlin dating back to 2000, including the last three by shutout in 2002 (1-0), 2003 (1-0), and 2004 (4-0), but this time around the Yeomen sophomore **Samuel Zackheim (Portland, OR/Lincoln)** found the back of the net for an Oberlin victory. The Yeomen win also ended Wooster's six-game unbeaten streak. Oberlin opened the week with a 1-0 overtime win over Anderson. Junior **David Wilson (Beaver, PA/Beaver Area)** scored on a breakaway to hand the Yeomen the win. He leads Oberlin with four goals this season ... OHIO WESLEYAN ran its string of wins to eight after shutting out Otterbein, 3-0, and topping Earlham, 3-1, last week. Senior forward **Cole Graham (Zanesville, OH/Zanesville)** had a hand in all three goals as the Bishops opened defense of their NCAC Championship (tie) with the win at Earlham. He set up senior **Ryan Martin's (Dublin, OH/Wellington)** goal with :23 left in the first half to erase a 1-0 deficit, then scored himself 12 seconds into the second half to put Ohio Wesleyan ahead to stay. He finished off the day's scoring with another goal just over two minutes later ... Despite a midfield shot by sophomore **Chris Serak (Avon, IN/Avon)** that gave WABASH a 2-1 lead, DePauw rallied for four second-half goals to defeat the Little Giants 5-2. Wabash rebounded with a 2-1 win over Hiram, which kept the Little Giants in possession of first place in the NCAC. Freshman **George Padgitt (Fisher, IN/Hamilton Southeastern)** scored the game-winner with less than three minutes remaining in the match to secure the victory. Leading scorer **Gary Simkus (Highland, IN/Highland)** added another goal to his total (five) in the first period to tie the match at 1-1 ... WITTENBERG freshman midfielder **Matt Borland (Kettering, OH/Alter)** had a hand in all three Tiger goals last week. After Cedarville jumped to a 1-0 lead, Borland notched a pair of second-half goals to help Wittenberg to a 2-2 double-overtime result – the fourth straight draw between the two programs. He then assisted on junior midfielder **Ian Acker's (Worthington, OH/Thomas Worthington)** game-winner against Kenyon. The Tigers won, 1-0 ... WOOSTER split a pair of games last week. The Fighting Scots edged Heidelberg, 1-0, in overtime and fell to Oberlin, 1-0, in regulation. The loss halted Wooster's six-game unbeaten streak. Senior 'keeper **David Treleven (Hudson, OH/Western Reserve Academy)** combined for five saves last week, including two in the shutout over Heidelberg.

WOMEN'S SOCCER REPORT

Every team but Wooster (0-0-0, 4-2-2) opens North Coast Athletic Conference play next weekend. Saturday's games feature Earlham (0-0-0, 5-2-1) at Allegheny (0-0-0, 6-2-0), Oberlin (0-0-0, 4-4-1) at Hiram (0-0-0, 1-6-1), and Ohio Wesleyan (0-0-0, 5-2-0) at Kenyon (0-0-0, 5-2-1). Sunday afternoon, Denison (0-0-0, 6-2-0) travels to Wittenberg (0-0-0, 8-1-0). Ohio Wesleyan is the defending regular season and tournament champion.

Notes: ALLEGHENY won twice last week as senior midfielder **Ashley Rogerson (Fairport, NY/Fairport)** scored twice. She had the game-tying goal in a 3-1 victory over Penn State-Behrend and the game-winner in a 3-0 decision over Grove City. Rogerson leads the Gators with seven goals and 14 points this season ... DENISON, ranked fourth in the Sept. 20 NSCAA/adidas Division III poll, defeated

fifth-ranked Washington, 1-0, then lost to top-ranked Messiah, 3-1, despite taking a 1-0 first-half lead. Ten different players have scored Denison's 16 goals this season, and the Big Red have outscored their opposition, 16-6. When Messiah scored in the second half, it broke a 336-minute shutout streak by Denison, dating back to Sept. 10. Denison ranks first in the NSCAA/adidas Great Lakes Regional poll (Sept. 20) ... EARLHAM won twice last week. Freshman forward **Hillary Carter (Middletown, OH/Lakota East)** scored twice and added three assists as the Quakers defeated Berea and St. Mary of the Woods by identical, 3-0, scores. Carter leads her team with 17 points and six goals through eight games ... HIRAM lost twice last week in non-conference play. Junior forward **Lauren Manfrass (Garrettsville, OH/Walsh Jesuit)** leads the Terriers with four goals in eight games ... KENYON won twice last week, knocking off Capital and Wilmington by 1-0 scores. Freshman **Amy Kessler (Bowling Green, OH/St. Ursula)** assisted on the game-winner against Capital and scored the goal herself in the Ladies' first-ever victory over Wilmington ... OBERLIN won three of four games last week. Freshman **Joelle Sesar (Vacaville, CA/Vacaville)** had a goal and an assist in two different games ... OHIO WESLEYAN, ranked 20th in the Sept. 20 NSCAA/adidas Division III Coaches' poll, defeated Wilmington, 2-0, in their only action last week. Freshman forward **Michelle Corbett (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** scored the game-winner against the Quakers. The Bishops had planned a trip to Texas to play Trinity and Southwestern, but the games were canceled due to travel issues related to the threat of hurricane Rita. The Bishops rank third in the NSCAA/adidas Great Lakes Regional poll ... WITTENBERG won twice before falling for the first time this season, 2-1, to Westminster in overtime. The Tigers are 8-1 on the year and stand fourth in the NSCAA/adidas Great Lakes Regional rankings ... WOOSTER took 1-0 decisions from John Carroll and Case last week. Sophomore goalkeeper **Kate Kiley (Dedham, MA/Noble and Greenough School)** recorded the shutouts, and totaled nine saves. Through five starts this season, Kiley's saves percentage is .880.

VOLLEYBALL REPORT

The first North Coast matches of 2005 were contested last week and the three teams that came away victorious all have two more conference matches this week. Wooster (1-0, 15-3), which defeated Kenyon (0-1, 5-9) by a 30-16, 30-16, 30-22 score, travels to Allegheny (0-0, 10-8) Wednesday and to Wittenberg (1-0, 12-3) Saturday. The Tigers, who defeated Ohio Wesleyan (0-1, 9-10) by a 30-24, 30-17, 30-19 count, also host Earlham (0-1, 3-13) Wednesday. Finally, Denison (1-0, 12-5) hosts Oberlin (0-0, 2-10) Wednesday and the Gators Saturday. The Big Red opened the 2005 NCAC campaign with a 30-23, 30-26, 30-19 decision over the Quakers. The remaining conference matches are Kenyon at Ohio Wesleyan on Wednesday, and Oberlin at Earlham and Hiram (0-0, 15-3) at the Bishops on Saturday.

Notes: ALLEGHENY lost all four matches at the Carnegie Mellon tournament to drop to 10-8 on the year. **Megan Finch (Slippery Rock, PA/Slippery Rock)** was a bright spot with 62 kills in the tournament. **Adriana Pennekamp (Houston, TX/Waltrip)** led the Gator defense with 30 or more digs in three of the four matches. **Traci Stoner (Celina, OH/Celina)** had a triple double in a five-set loss to Nazareth with 15 kills, 52 assists and 25 digs. After starting the season on the road for the first 18 matches of the year, the Gators finally come home to the Wise Center for their home and conference opener against Wooster on Wednesday ... DENISON placed third in the Ohio Wesleyan Invitational with a 3-1 mark. Junior **Kristen Sheffield (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** was named to the all-tournament team after leading the Big Red in kills in all four matches. She totaled 65 kills in 14 games for a 4.64 per game average. Junior setter **Jenny Gresla (Berne, IN/South Adams)** had a big weekend as well with an average of 17.6 assists per game during the tournament ... EARLHAM went 1-3 at the Transylvania Tournament as **Kathryn Evans (Milton, IN/Muncie Burriss)** was named to the all-tournament team ... HIRAM won four of five matches last week, including three of four at the Waynesburg Tournament. **Katie Moore (Lakewood, OH/St. Joseph Academy)** had 11 kills in a three-game victory over John Carroll earlier in the week ... Junior **Patrice Collins (Garden City, NY/Garden City)** had a combined 34 kills and 45 digs in three KENYON losses last week ... OBERLIN lost its only match last week in three sets to Heidelberg. Senior **Jeanne Feuerstein (San Francisco, CA/Urban School)** had team highs with eight kills and 18 digs ... OHIO WESLEYAN reached the championship match of its own invitational before falling to champion Capital in three. Junior **Brittany McDaniel (Utica, OH/Utica)** was selected to the all-tournament team. She totaled 64 assists in 15 games last week for a 4.3 per game average and added 28 digs. Sophomore **Steffi Graf (Poland, OH/Seminary)** smashed 51 kills for 3.4 per game and added 42 digs (2.8 per game) ... WITTENBERG is ranked third in the CSTV/AVCA Division III Coaches' Poll (Sept. 20). The Tigers won three matches at the Waynesburg Tournament before falling to Muskingum in five, which ended Wittenberg's win streak at 10. Sophomore outside hitter **Jan Kehres (Alliance, OH/Alliance)** registered 14 kills in the Tigers' NCAC opening victory over Ohio Wesleyan ... WOOSTER junior hitter **Erin Schaffner (North Canton, OH/GlenOak)** combined for 29 kills, including a team-best 15 against Marietta. She had a .365 attack percentage for the week and contributed 10 digs and two blocks in the Scots' 2-1 week.



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PLAYERS OF THE WEEK (Sept. 25, 2005)

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Oberlin junior **Ariane Burwell (San Francisco, CA/Urban School)** placed fourth of 112 runners at the Otterbein Classic, leading the Yeowomen to the team title in 11-team field. She finished the 6K course in 23:01.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Ohio Wesleyan junior **Matt Kempton (Fredericktown, OH/Fredericktown)** placed 93rd of 304 runners at the Greater Louisville Classic. He finished the 8K course in 26:30.

FIELD HOCKEY

Wooster senior forward **Katelin Bugler (Peabody, MA/Peabody)** scored two late goals, just 1:46 apart, to hand the Fighting Scots a key 2-0 conference win in their lone match of the week. Bugler's goal ended a 273:54 scoreless streak for Wooster.

MEN'S SOCCER

Oberlin sophomore **Samuel Zackheim (Portland, OR/Lincoln)** found the back of the net to hand the Yeomen a 1-0 win over Wooster. After being shut out in each of the last three years against Wooster, Oberlin returned the favor, shutting down the host Fighting Scots in both schools' NCAC opener. The win gave Oberlin its first win over the Scots in five years. The Oberlin win also halted Wooster's six-game unbeaten streak.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Kenyon freshman **Amy Kessler (Bowling Green, OH/St. Ursula)** played a role in both goals as the Ladies won twice by identical 1-0 scores. In a victory over Capital, Kessler assisted on the game-winner, then in a win over Wilmington, she scored the lone goal herself. It was Kenyon's first-ever victory over Wilmington.

VOLLEYBALL

Denison junior **Kristen Sheffield (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** led the Big Red to a 4-1 week, beginning with a 3-0 win over Earlham in NCAC play. She paced Denison with 16 kills in the match. Sheffield was named to the all-tournament team at the Ohio Wesleyan Invitational after leading the Big Red in kills in all four matches. She totalled 65 kills in 14 games for a 4.64 kills per game average. She is the team leader in kills at 3.19 per game this season.