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NCAC Football Report

**WABASH CLINCHES SHARE OF SECOND STRAIGHT NORTH COAST TITLE;
WITTENBERG LOOKING FOR PIECE OF CHAMPIONSHIP**

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CLEVELAND -- Wabash (6-1, 7-2) clinched a share of its second straight North Coast Athletic Conference football title, and its third in five years, with a 41-14 defeat of Denison (2-4, 2-7). The Little Giants, the first team to claim back-to-back NCAC titles since Wittenberg did it in 2001, finished the conference season with a 6-1 mark and are preparing for the 113th Monon Bell Classic with DePauw in Crawfordsville on Saturday to close out the regular season. Kickoff is set for 1:05 p.m. The game will be broadcast nationally by HDNet. Kenny Rice, Joe Emmick, Rob Doyle, and Miss USA 2001, Kandace Krueger will call the action. Four radio stations (WNDY 91.3 FM, WGRE 91.5 FM, WCVL, and ESPN 950 Indianapolis) will also provide coverage.

Wittenberg (5-1, 6-3) enters the final week of the regular season in second place, but the Tigers are one win away from sharing the NCAC title with Wabash. The championship would be Wittenberg's first since 2001. This week, the Tigers travel to Hiram (0-6, 0-9). Should the Tigers win, they will claim the conference's automatic bid into the NCAA Tournament. Wittenberg put itself in position to share the league championship with its 39-21 victory over Allegheny last week.

Oberlin (4-1, 5-4) and Wooster (4-2, 7-2) share third place as the season draws to a close. The Yeomen close out their fall at Allegheny (3-3, 5-4), while the Fighting Scots play their 2006 finale at Kenyon (3-3, 4-5). The Gators and Lords currently share fifth place in the standings. The final game of the week sends Denison to Earlham (1-5, 3-6).

Grid Notebook: The NCAA Division III football playoff selections will be broadcast on ESPNNews for the fourth consecutive season. The playoff bracket will be announced on Sunday, Nov. 12. A specific time will be available later this week ... **ALLEGHENY** running back **Mario Tarquino (Charleroi, PA/Charleroi)** eclipsed the 3,000-yard rushing plateau for his career on his first carry in the 39-21 loss at Wittenberg. He is one of four Gator running backs to accomplish the feat. Senior QB **Jimmy Savage (North Canton, OH/Hoover)** broke the single-season Allegheny records for passing yardage (2,223), pass attempts (312), pass completions (187) and tied the record for single-season touchdowns (21) ... **DENISON** senior tailback **Fred Lee (St. Louis, MO/MICDS)** recorded his 11th career 100-yard game in the 41-14 loss to Wabash. He ran the ball 29 times for 121 yards and one touchdown. He needs 141 yards next week against Earlham to become the seventh DU back to go for 1,000 yards in a season. Freshman signal caller **Tom Simeone (Bethesda, MD/The Potomac School)** completed his first nine pass attempts and finished the day 20-of-29 for 119 yards in his first career start ... At one point **EARLHAM** held a 31-17 lead over Wooster before the Scots dug out a 38-31 victory. Quaker senior QB **Justin Rummell (Ingalls, IN/Pendleton Hts.)** completed 32 of 54 passes for 375 yards and four touchdowns in the loss. This fall, Rummell is 191 for 338 attempts for 2,340 yards passing with an Earlham record 25 touchdowns. He is 804-of-1,180 for 9,024 yards in his career, with 75 TDs and school and NCAC career records for completions and passing yardage. Freshman **Max Crumley-Effinger (Richmond, IN/Richmond)** established a new mark for field goals with his seventh of the season and junior **Joe White (Richmond, IN/Richmond)** caught eight passes for 71 yards and three touchdowns, extending his Quaker record to 13 TDs this fall and 23 for his career ... **HIRAM** dropped a 58-0 decision to Ohio Wesleyan ... Freshman **Harry von Kann (Washington, DC/Wilson ISP)** had six catches for 87 yards and three touchdowns, but it wasn't enough to get **KENYON** past Oberlin. The Lords' lost 56-42. Von Kann now has five touchdowns and 152 receiving yards in the Lords' last two games. Senior **Alby Coombs (Sharon, MA/Belmont Hill)** rushed for 121 yards and two scores. Defensively, junior linebacker **Donovan Ortega (Wellington, FL/Wellington)** produced 11 tackles, including 2.5 tackles for a loss and a pass breakup ... Led by the greatest individual single-game rushing performance in **OBERLIN** football history and the second-best offensive team effort of the season in terms of total yards, the Yeomen defeated Kenyon, 56-42. Sophomore running back **R.V. Carroll (Perry, OH/Perry)** collected 336 yards, on 38 rushes, and five touchdowns on the ground to break five different rushing records. No Yeoman had ever tallied 300 yards rushing in a game, and Carroll also broke the Oberlin records for single-season rushing yardage (1,262 yards), rushing touchdowns in a game and season (12) and points scored (30). **Alan Spiegelberg** set the previous single-game record (29) for points scored against Hiram in 1961. The Yeomen tallied 590 total yards for the day, which is the second-best single-game yardage total in school history. They also broke the school record for total offense in a season (3,416), topping the previous mark of 3,395 yards (2001). Additionally, the squad has 35 touchdowns on the year, which equals the team record set in 1950. In all, seven Oberlin records were broken on Saturday, and Carroll almost topped the NCAC's record for most yards rushing in a game. His total of 336 yards was just two yards shy of **Tony Sutton's** (Wooster) mark of 338 yards against Case in 2003. The two teams combined for 1,044 yards and 98 points ... Senior halfback **Nick Rice (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** ran for two touchdowns in **OHIO WESLEYAN'S** 58-0 win over Hiram - the Bishops' first shutout since Sept. 15, 2001, a 27-0 win over Waynesburg. Junior quarterback **Steve Hymes (Barberton, OH/Massillon Washington)** led the Bishops with 92 yards, including a 27-yard touchdown run, on seven carries. He was 7-for-12 passing for 131 yards and two touchdowns. Senior **Tom Thome (Macedonia, OH/Nordonia)** finished with two interceptions, one of which set up a field goal. He returned the other 75 yards for a touchdown ... **WABASH'S** 41-14 win over Denison marks the first time the Little Giants have claimed back-to-back conference titles since they won ICAC crowns in 1991 and 1992. The victory was also number 573 in the 1,000th game in Wabash history. The Little Giants and Butler played the first football game

Upcoming Games - Sat. Nov. 11		Last Week's Results - Sat. Nov. 5	
Denison at Earlham, 1:00	Wooster at Kenyon, 1:00	Oberlin 56, Kenyon 42	Wittenberg 39, Allegheny 21
Oberlin at Allegheny, 1:00	DePauw at Wabash, 1:05	Ohio Wesleyan 58, Hiram 0	Wooster 38, Earlham 31
Wittenberg at Hiram, 1:00		Wabash 41, Denison 14	

NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2006 FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

* conference games

Allegheny College (3-3; 5-4)

S. 2	at Westminster	W, 35-10
S. 9	at Wash. & Jefferson	L, 10-22
S. 16	HIRAM	W, 52-7
S. 30	at Denison*	W, 23-6
O. 7	at Wabash*	L, 27-41
O. 14	KENYON*	W, 49-38
O. 21	at Wooster*	L, 21-27
O. 28	OHIO WESLEYAN*	W, 30-13
N. 4	at Wittenberg*	L, 21-39
N. 11	OBERLIN*	1:00

Denison University (2-4; 2-7)

S. 2	at Randolph-Macon	L, 14-20
S. 9	CASE	L, 14-27
S. 23	at Gettysburg	L, 14-31
S. 30	ALLEGHENY*	L, 6-23
O. 7	at Oberlin*	L, 7-18
O. 14	OHIO WESLEYAN*	L, 10-35
O. 21	at Hiram*	W, 42-7
O. 28	KENYON*	W, 41-35 (2ot)
N. 4	WABASH*	L, 14-41
N. 11	at Earlham*	1:00

Earlham College (1-5; 3-6)

S. 2	at Rose-Hulman	L, 17-24
S. 9	at Manchester	W, 49-35
S. 16	ANDERSON	W, 32-24
S. 30	WABASH*	L, 15-48
O. 7	at Wittenberg*	L, 14-28
O. 14	OBERLIN*	L, 31-41
O. 21	at Kenyon*	L, 30-33 (ot)
O. 28	HIRAM*	W, 24-16
N. 4	at Wooster*	L, 31-38
N. 11	DENISON*	1:00

Hiram College (0-6; 0-9)

S. 2	CARNEGIE MELLON	L, 6-27
S. 9	at Bethany	L, 7-42
S. 16	at Allegheny	L, 7-52
S. 30	OBERLIN*	L, 14-28
O. 7	at Kenyon*	L, 34-69
O. 14	WOOSTER*	L, 0-52
O. 21	DENISON*	L, 7-42
O. 28	at Earlham*	L, 16-24
N. 4	at Ohio Wesleyan*	L, 0-58
N. 11	WITTENBERG*	1:00

Kenyon College (3-3; 4-5)

S. 2	at Grinnell	W, 57-31
S. 9	at Clare.-McKenna	L, 10-34
S. 16	at Case	L, 14-43
S. 30	at Ohio Wesleyan*	W, 44-42
O. 7	HIRAM*	W, 69-34
O. 14	at Allegheny*	L, 38-49
O. 21	EARLHAM*	W, 33-30 (ot)
O. 28	at Denison*	L, 35-41 (2ot)
N. 4	OBERLIN*	L, 42-56
N. 11	WOOSTER*	1:00

Oberlin College (4-2; 5-4)

S. 2	at Case	L, 23-29 (ot)
S. 9	HEIDELBERG	W, 48-34
S. 23	WASH. & JEFF.	L, 13-33
S. 30	at Hiram*	W, 28-14
O. 7	DENISON*	W, 18-7
O. 14	at Earlham*	W, 41-31
O. 21	WABASH*	L, 20-48
O. 28	WITTENBERG*	L, 6-22
N. 4	at Kenyon*	W, 56-42
N. 11	at Allegheny*	1:00

Ohio Wesleyan University (3-4; 3-7)

S. 2	at Franklin	L, 23-38
S. 9	at Catholic	L, 33-34 (ot)
S. 16	BETHANY	L, 28-34
S. 23	at Wabash*	L, 28-42
S. 30	KENYON*	L, 42-44
O. 7	WOOSTER*	L, 0-24
O. 14	at Denison*	W, 35-10
O. 21	WITTENBERG*	W, 17-10
O. 28	at Allegheny*	L, 13-30
N. 4	HIRAM*	W, 58-0

Wabash College (6-1; 7-2)

S. 9	at Franklin	L, 38-45 (ot)
S. 16	MILLIKIN	W, 38-31
S. 23	OHIO WESLEYAN*	W, 42-28
S. 30	at Earlham*	W, 48-15
O. 7	ALLEGHENY*	W, 41-27
O. 14	at Wittenberg*	L, 17-19
O. 21	at Oberlin*	W, 48-20
O. 28	WOOSTER*	W, 20-10
N. 4	at Denison*	W, 41-14
N. 11	DePAUW	1:05

Wittenberg University (5-1; 6-3)

S. 2	at Capital	L, 7-57
S. 9	DAYTON	L, 28-35
S. 23	ALMA	W, 42-24
S. 30	at Wooster*	W, 24-21
O. 7	EARLHAM*	W, 28-14
O. 14	WABASH*	W, 19-17
O. 21	at Ohio Wesleyan*	L, 10-17
O. 28	at Oberlin*	W, 22-6
N. 4	ALLEGHENY*	W, 39-21
N. 11	at Hiram*	1:00

College of Wooster (4-2; 7-2)

S. 2	JOHN CARROLL	W, 30-22
S. 9	at Waynesburg	W, 31-10
S. 23	CASE	W, 21-7
S. 30	WITTENBERG*	L, 21-24
O. 7	at Ohio Wesleyan*	W, 24-0
O. 14	at Hiram*	W, 52-0
O. 21	ALLEGHENY*	W, 27-21
O. 28	at Wabash*	L, 10-20
N. 4	EARLHAM*	W, 38-31
N. 11	at Kenyon*	1:00

in Indiana history on Oct. 25, 1884, with Wabash winning, 4-0. Since that time the Little Giants have become the sixth-winningest program in all of Division III with a record of 573-368-59 in 120 seasons. Senior **Dustin Huff (Martinsville, IN/Martinsville)** threw for 386 yards (25-of-30) and two TDs. His 386 yard-effort tied his second-best career mark. He moved into sixth place on the Wabash career TD passing list with his 33rd touchdown throw. Junior **Bryan Engh (Indianapolis, IN/Warren Central)** led the Little Giants with a career-high 15 tackles. Engh made only his second career start, making the most of the opportunity with an interception and a 39-yard return to go with his eight solo and seven assisted tackles ... **WITTENBERG** senior tailback **Tristan Murray (New Carlisle, OH/Tecumseh)** rushed for 199 yards - his school-record eighth straight 100-yard game - and scored four touchdowns to lead the Tigers past Allegheny, 39-21, in a must-win game. He moves into second place on Wittenberg's career scoring and rushing lists. The Tiger defense was led by senior linebacker **Tyler Harmon (Indianapolis, IN/Perry Meridian)** for an eighth straight game. He finished with 11 tackles, followed closely by senior linebacker **Joe Swanson (Germantown, OH/Valley View)** with 10 ... **WOOSTER** sophomore running back **Dustin Sheppard (Johnstown, OH/Johnstown-Monroe)** led the Fighting Scots to a stirring fourth-quarter comeback victory, as he had three rushing touchdowns in the final 15 minutes, the last

coming with just :27 remaining, to erase a 31-17 deficit and lift the Scots past Earlham 38-31. Overall, Sheppard toted the ball 30 times for 190 yards, 68 coming in the fourth, and four scores. The 190 rushing yards marked a season-high for him and the second-most in his career. Senior **Brandon French (Columbia, OH/Columbia Station)** made 2.5 of Wooster's four sacks and was the team's second-leading tackler from his defensive tackle position with eight stops. His season sack total now stands at a career-high 7.0.



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[NCAC Fall Sports Update](#)

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CROSS COUNTRY REPORT -- NCAA REGIONALS SET FOR SATURDAY

The NCAA will stage eight regional qualifying events on Saturday to narrow the men's and women's championship fields to 32 teams. The regionals are open to all Division III schools. Teams from Ohio, Indiana and Michigan will compete in the Great Lakes Regional at Hanover while squads from Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and West Virginia will participate in the Mideast Regional at Waynesburg. The NCAA Championships will be held on November 18 at Voice of America Park and will be hosted by Wilmington College.

FIELD HOCKEY REPORT -- KENYON CLAIMS FIRST NCAC TOURNAMENT

Third-seeded Kenyon picked up its first NCAC tournament title after posting a pair of post-season upsets. The Ladies swept through the NCAC Field Hockey Tournament, capping their run with a 2-1 win over Wooster, previously undefeated against NCAC opponents this season, in the championship game. In the semifinals, Kenyon defeated second-seeded Wittenberg, 5-1. The Fighting Scots, seeded first in the four-team event as the 2006 regular season champion, had advanced to the final courtesy of a 2-0 win over fourth-seeded Denison in their semifinal matchup. As North Coast Tournament Champions, Kenyon has earned the conference's automatic bid into the NCAA Div. III playoffs - this will be their first trip to the national tournament since 1989. Wooster may also be considered for an NCAA Tournament berth; the Fighting Scots will wait to see if they are awarded one of eight available at-large berths. First-round games are scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 8. Complete matchups and site information will be released by the NCAA on Monday at www.ncaasports.com.

MEN'S SOCCER REPORT -- DENISON CLAIMS FIRST NCAC TOURNAMENT

Second-seeded Denison claimed its first North Coast Tournament Championship last week. The Big Red swept through the NCAC Men's Soccer Tournament, capping their run with a 3-2 overtime win over Allegheny in the championship game. In the semifinals, Denison defeated third-seeded Oberlin, 2-0. The Gators, seeded fourth, had advanced to the final after upsetting top-seeded Ohio Wesleyan, 4-3 on penalty kicks, after battling the Bishops to a 0-0 double-overtime tie in their semifinal matchup. As North Coast Tournament Champions, Denison has earned the conference's automatic bid into the NCAA Div. III playoffs. The Big Red will be making their seventh NCAA Tournament appearance, and their first since 2003. NCAC regular season champion Ohio Wesleyan, may also be considered for one of the 17 at-large berths into the 57-team national tournament field. First-round games are scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 8. Combined first- and second-round dates are also set for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 9-10 or Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 10-11. Complete matchups and site information will be released by the NCAA on Monday at www.ncaasports.com.

WOMEN'S SOCCER REPORT -- WITTENBERG CLAIMS FIRST NCAC TOURNAMENT

Second-seeded Wittenberg claimed its first North Coast Athletic Conference Tournament championship. The Tigers produced their best regular season finish in NCAC play and then capped off their 2006 campaign with a perfect run through the season-ending tourney. In the semifinals, Wittenberg topped third-seeded Wooster, 2-0. The Tigers then followed with a hard-fought 1-0 victory over fourth-seeded Denison in the championship game. The Big Red had advanced to the championship game with a 6-0 win over top-seeded Kenyon in their semifinal matchup. As North Coast Tournament Champions, Wittenberg has earned the conference's automatic bid into the NCAA Div. III playoffs. The Tigers will make their national tournament debut. Denison, Kenyon and Wooster may also be granted one of 19 at-large berths into the 60-team field due to their successful seasons. All three teams, and Wittenberg, are ranked amongst the top-10 teams in the Great Lakes region. First-round NCAA games are scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 7. Combined first- and second-round dates are also set for Friday and Saturday, Nov. 9-10 or Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 10-11. Complete matchups and site information will be released by the NCAA on Monday.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING REPORT -- ALL NCAC TEAMS IN ACTION THIS WEEK

North Coast pools will be busy this week as every NCAC squad will see action. A pair of competitions between conference members highlight the week's slate. On Friday evening, Wabash will travel to Wittenberg. The next day, the Tigers travel to Oberlin. In other action, Allegheny hosts Westminster on Saturday and Denison travels to Ohio University the same day. Hiram hosts its first home meets of the season, welcoming Mount Union on Friday and Bethany (WV) on Saturday. The Kenyon men compete at Ohio State on Friday, while the Ladies host Louisville the next day. Oberlin will compete in the Cleveland State Invitational Friday, while Ohio Wesleyan and Wooster close out the week's schedule on Saturday. The Bishops host Baldwin-Wallace, the Fighting Scots host John Carroll.

POOL NOTES: DENISON and KENYON squared off for their annual, early season tangle last weekend. The Big Red handed the Lords

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a 144-99 loss. It marked the first dual meet victory for Denison over Kenyon since the 2000-01 season. Denison's 200 medley relay team of **Adam Ulrich (Hillsborough, NC/East Chapel Hill)**, **Bryce Peterson (Niwt, CO/Niwot)**, **Lowell Byers (Chappaqua, NY/Horace Greeley)**, and **Jon Behnke (Orinda, CA/Miramonte)** opened the meet up on the right foot, capturing a first-place finish with a time of 1:36.83. Peterson also claimed first-place finishes in both the 1000 and 500 freestyle events, clocking in at 9:44.31 and 4:43.79. The Big Red divers downed the Lords 32-4 in the two diving events. Sophomore **Russ Bornschein (Ann Arbor, MI/Pioneer)** captured the one-meter event, while junior **Stephen Julka (Madison, WI/James Madison Memorial)** took home the three-meter title. Despite being victorious in just six of the 13 events contested, the Kenyon women nipped the Big Red, 119.6-116.5. The win avenges a five-point loss last season to the Ladies' nearby rival in Gambier. Leading the way for Kenyon was senior diver **Audrey Eisenberg (Richmond, KY/Richmond)**. She picked up two wins and a combined 18 points in the 1- and 3-meter events in which no Big Red athlete competed. Freshman **Tina Ertel (Halle, Germany/Sportgymnasium Halle)** won the 200 free (1:55.32). For Denison, the 200-yard medley relay team of **Meg Cassell (Albany, OR/South Albany)**, **Kathy Faingold (Wexford, PA/North Allegheny)**, **Mary Dain (Mt. Laurel, NJ/Holy Cross)**, and **Kristen Hohl (Winfield, IL/Wheaton North)** took home a first-place finish with a time of 1:49.75. Cassell would also go on to place first in the 100 backstroke in 59.51. Freshman **Liv Zaleski (Corry, PA/Corry Area)** recorded a time of :24.80 in capturing the 50 free. She also took first in the 100 free with a time of 54.21. In addition to the meet against Denison, Kenyon competed against Ohio University. The Bobcats took both meets, topping the Lords, 191.5-99.5 and defeating the Ladies, 185-107. Kenyon sophomore **Matthew Harris (Laurel, MD/DeMatha)** won the 100 butterfly against both Ohio and Denison, turning in times of 52.07 and 51.75 seconds. He was also part of the Lords' 200 free relay teams that were victorious in both meets. Ertel, won the 50 free (24.46) and the 100 butterfly (58.75) against Ohio. Her times, including against Denison, all met the NCAA "B" cut. On top of her individual performances, she swam a leg on the Ladies' winning 200 free relay team (1:39.72) against Ohio ... **OBERLIN** and **OHIO WESLEYAN** met last week with the Battling Bishops men (128-75) and women (134-103) picking up dual meet victories. OWU freshman **David Gatz (Delaware, OH/Hayes)** was a double winner, claiming the 200 and 500 freestyles in respective times of 1:52.16 and 5:10.39. He also combined with freshman **Kevin Fahey (Delaware, OH/Hayes)**, sophomore **Brian Fahey (Delaware, OH/Hayes)** and freshman **Andrew Sisson (Greensburg, PA/Greater Latrobe)** to win the 400 medley relay (3:55.44). Yeomen sophomore **Mark Muthersbaugh (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.)** touched the wall first in both the 50 free (24.58) and the 200 backstroke (2:16.86). Muthersbaugh and sophomore **Scott McInerney (Randolph, NJ/Randolph)** were part of Oberlin's winning 400 free relay team (3:35.26). In the women's meet, Oberlin freshman **Laura Fries (Bow, NH/Bow)** won the 200 backstroke in 2:17.32, the fifth fastest time in the event by a Yeowoman. She was also part of the winning 400 medley relay team (4:24.50). OWU senior **Whitney Snow (West Chester, OH/Lakota East)** and junior **Katherine Donnan (Columbus, OH/Bishop Hartley)** each won two events. Snow won the 500 (5:24.69) and 1000 (11:04.14) freestyles and was a member of the winning 400 free relay (3:50.98). Donnan swept both 1-meter diving events. Snow shattered a school record with her win in the 1000 free (10:59.00) against **WITTENBERG**. The previous record (11:05.87) was set by **Lindley Stern** in 2003. Wittenberg defeated the Bishops, 155-85. The Tiger men also won, overcoming OWU, 143-89. Double event winners for the Wittenberg women were **Courtney Roth (Gurnee, IL/Lake Forest)** in both diving events and freshman **Adeline Brym (Mansfield, OH/Lexington)** in the 500 free and the 200 Individual Medley. For the men, freshman **Neil Anderson (Lakewood, OH/Lakewood)** won both the 200 and 500 frees, senior **Sean Wolf (White Lake, MI/Walled Lake Central)** won the 100 butterfly and the 50 free and senior **Cody Nicely (Knoxville, TN/Bearden)** swept both diving events. The Tigers also swam DePauw last week. Wittenberg fell, 187-111 on the men's side and were narrowly edged in the women's race, 150-148 as DePauw claimed first in the final event of the evening, the medley relay, by just .13 seconds. Anderson won the 500 and 1000 freestyle events as well as the 200 fly. Nicely remains unbeaten in dual events this season, as he once again won both boards. Junior **Kaitlin Clark (Wakeman, OH/Firelands)** took home first-place finishes in the 1000 free and the 200 breaststroke ... **WABASH** defeated DePauw, 172.5-127.5, and Rose-Hulman, 153-89, last week. The Little Giants celebrated the 80th year of swimming against its arch-rival DePauw with the win. Freshman **Elijah Sanders (Mt. Vernon, IN/Mt. Vernon)** swept the three distance events, claiming wins on the 400 IM (4:20.62), the 500 free (4:51.72) and in the 1000 free (10:05.85). Senior **Tony Caldwell (Washington, IA/Washington)** came back from a week-long illness to win the 100 (53.77) and 200 (2:00.17) backstrokes. He was also a part of the winning 200 medley relay tea, (1:38.02). Wabash then swept the top two spots in the opening 400 medley relay and never looked back, cruising past RHIT for its fifth dual-meet win of the season. Freshmen **Craig Vektor (Indianapolis, IN/Franklin Central)** and **Robert Dent (Ft. Wayne, IN/Homestead)** both won two events. Vektor took the top spot in the 1000 free (10:34.01) and the 500 free (5:02.10). Dent won the 200 breaststroke (2:22.67) and the 200 IM (2:06.58) ... **WOOSTER** senior sprint freestyler **Brandon DuGar (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Heights)** was a double-winner, posting victories in both the 100 (52.15) and 200 free (1:58.70), as the Fighting Scot men defeated Millikin 140-65. The Wooster women also topped Millikin, 146-61. Sophomore **Lindsey Dorko (Chardon, OH/Perry)** and **Kate Kosenick (Fanwood, NJ/Scotch-Plains Fanwood)** were both double-winners, with Dorko hitting first in the 100 (57.93) and 200 free (2:06.38) and Kosenick in the 50 free (27.04) and 100 backstroke (1:06.15).

VOLLEYBALL REPORT -- HIRAM CLAIMS FIRST NCAC TOURNAMENT

For the second straight year, the NCAC Tournament championship went to the second seed. Hiram claimed its first North Coast Tournament championship with a 30-32, 30-23, 5-30, 32-30, 15-13 upset over top-seeded Wittenberg in the championship match. The win broke the Tigers' 10-year run of NCAC Tournament championships. Wittenberg had won 25 straight conference tournament matches during the streak. The Terriers advanced to the championship courtesy of a 3-2 (31-29, 26-30, 30-27, 28-30, 15-11) win over third-seeded Denison in the semifinals. Wittenberg advanced to the final after sweeping fourth-seeded Ohio Wesleyan in straight sets (30-17, 30-14, 30-22 in their semifinal matchup. The 2006 All-NCAC Volleyball squad was announced at the conclusion of the Tournament. Hiram senior **Michelle Kozempa (Seven Hills, OH/Normandy)** was named the 2006 Player of the Year in balloting by league coaches. Wittenberg freshman **Erin Slattery (Chagrin Falls, OH/Kenston)** was named Newcomer of the Year and Wooster sophomore **Ali Drushal (Lakeville, OH/West Holmes)** earned Libero of the Year honors. Ohio Wesleyan's **Cynthia Holliday** and Wittenberg's **Paco Labrador** shared Coach of the Year honors. Holliday earns the award for the fifth time and for the third time as the head of the Battling Bishops bench (1996, '94).



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NCAC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK (Nov. 5)

FOOTBALL (OFFENSE/DEFENSE)

OFFENSE: Oberlin sophomore running back **R.V. Carroll (Perry, OH/Perry)** collected 336 yards, on 38 rushes, and five touchdowns on the ground to break five different rushing records in the Yeomen's 56-42 win over Kenyon. No Yeoman had ever tallied 300 yards rushing in a game, and Carroll also broke the Oberlin records for single-season rushing yardage (1,262 yards), rushing touchdowns in a game and season (12) and points scored (30). The previous single-game record (29) for points scored was set in 1961, while the previous single-game rushing high was established in 1963. The Yeomen tallied 590 total yards for the day, which is the second best single-game yardage total in school history. They also broke the school record for total offense in a season (3,416). Additionally, Carroll's five scores helped the squad to 35 touchdowns for the year, which equals the team record set in 1950. In all, seven Oberlin records were broken on Saturday, and Carroll almost topped the NCAC's record for most yards rushing in a game. His total of 336 yards was just two yards shy of **Tony Sutton's** (Wooster) mark of 338 yards against Case in 2003.

DEFENSE: Wabash junior **Bryan Engh (Indianapolis, IN/Warren Central)** led the Little Giants with a career-high 15 tackles in their 41-14 NCAC-title clinching win over Denison. Engh made only his second career start, making the most of the opportunity with an interception and a 39-yard return to go with his eight solo and seven assisted tackles.

MEN'S SOCCER

Denison junior forward **Ryan Linn (Zanesville, OH/West Muskingum)** scored on a breakaway six minutes into overtime to give the Big Red a 3-2 victory over Allegheny in the championship game of the NCAC Tournament. The title is Denison's first in the seven-year history of the season-ending tourney.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Wittenberg junior goalkeeper **Meghan O'Rourke (Columbus, OH/Worthington Kilbourne)** turned away six Denison shots, including a pair from close range in the second half, to lead the Tigers to their first NCAC Tournament championship. By registering a pair of shutouts in the tourney, she broke the school record for career shutouts with 31, topping the total of 30.5 that Sarah Newlin, the 1995 National Player of the Year, achieved in the Red & White.

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VOLLEYBALL REPORT, CONTINUED

She also won twice as the head coach at Wittenberg (1993, 1992). Labrador is receiving the honor for the first time. [See attached list for complete All-NCAC roster]

Hiram, ranked 15th in the nation by the American Volleyball Coaches Association (Oct. 30), will learn their opponent in the NCAA tournament on Monday, when complete matchups and site information will be released at www.ncaasports.com. The Terriers will be making their second straight NCAA appearance, and second in any team sport since 1995. Wittenberg, ranked 11th in the nation, may also be considered for an at-large tournament berth due to its successful season.



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2006 ALL-NCAC VOLLEYBALL

CLEVELAND -- The following performers have earned All-North Coast Athletic Conference honors for the 2006 seas through balloting by the NCAC volleyball coaches. The All-NCAC Team was announced at the conclusion of the NCAC Tournament.

FIRST TEAM	School	Yr.	Ht.	Pos.	Hometown/High School
Emily Bell ♦	Wittenberg	Jr.	5-9	OH	Ft. Wayne, IN/Concordia Lutheran
Steffi Graf	Ohio Wesleyan	Jr.	5-8	OH	Poland, OH/Seminary
Michelle Kozempa ^+	Hiram	Sr.	6-2	MH	Seven Hills, OH/Normandy
Kristen Sheffield ♦	Denison	Sr.	6-0	OH	Dublin, OH/Scioto
Megan Taylor \$♦	Hiram	Jr.	5-8	S	Cortland, OH/Lakeview
Jackie Williams ♦	Wittenberg	So.	6-1	OH	Rocky River, OH/Magnificat

Player of the Year: Michelle Kozempa, Hiram

Libero of the Year: Ali Drushal, Wooster

Newcomer of the Year: Erin Slattery, Wittenberg (Chagrin Falls, OH/Kenston)

Coach of the Year: Cynthia Holliday, Ohio Wesleyan; Paco Labrador, Wittenberg

SECOND TEAM	School	Yr.	Ht.	Pos.	Hometown/High School
Ali Drushal	Wooster	So.	5-3	L	Lakeville, OH/West Holmes
Jenny Gresla	Denison	Sr.	5-4	S	Berne, IN/South Adams
Betsy LaPorte	Allegheny	Jr.	5-10	MH	Albany, OH/Alexander
Sarah Matesich	Wittenberg	Jr.	5-5	S	Granville, OH/Newark Catholic
Lisa Vanderkolk @	Earlham	Jr.	6-0	MB	Bluffton, IN/Bluffton
Ashley Quisenberry *	Wooster	Sr.	5-10	MH	Springfield, OH/Catholic Central

HONORABLE MENTION	School	Yr.	Ht.	Pos.	Hometown/High School
Jen Hlebovy +	Hiram	Sr.	5-10	OH	Poland, OH/Boardman
Liz Moore	Hiram	Sr.	5-10	OH	Lakewood, OH/St Joseph/Albion, MI
Lauren Reiter \$	Kenyon	Sr.	6-1	MB	Chardon, OH/Chardon
Jaime Scharf #	Ohio Wesleyan	Jr.	5-4	L	Marion, OH/River Valley
Annie Schultheis	Allegheny	Jr.	5-9	OH/RS	Canton, OH/GlenOak
Erin Shaffner	Wooster	Sr.	6-0	MH/OH	North Canton, OH/GlenOak
Deysi Villarreal \$	Oberlin	Jr.	5-9	S/RS	Tuscon, AZ/Canyon del Oro

Key: ♦ 1st team 2005; + 2nd team 2005; # honorable mention 2005; * 1st team 2004; ^ 2nd team 2004;

\$ honorable mention 2004; @ honorable mention 2003