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NCAC Women's Basketball Report
TEAMS CONTINUE WITH LEAGUE PLAY;
FULL CONFERENCE SLATE SET FOR SATURDAY

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CLEVELAND -- The North Coast schedule continues this week with the Wednesday night matchup of Earlham (0-1, 0-5) at Denison (0-0, 4-3). This is the first of two matchups between these two teams this season. The two teams split their season series in 2005-06, with each team winning at home. Saturday features a full slate of games: Kenyon (0-1, 1-4) at Earlham, Ohio Wesleyan (1-0, 2-4) at Allegheny (1-0, 4-1), Denison at Hiram (0-1, 1-2) and Wooster (1-0, 3-2) and Wittenberg (1-0, 2-2).

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HOOPS NOTES: Trailing at halftime, **ALLEGHENY** used its second straight second-half comeback, outscoring Kenyon, 34-25, in the second period, en route to a 58-54 victory to open the NCAC season. Freshman **Brittany Bell (Greensburg, PA/Hempfield)** led four Gators who reached double figures with 14. She was 5-of-9 (.556) from the field and 4-of-6 (.667) from long range. She also added two rebounds, two assists and two steals ... **DENISON** suffered an 83-73 overtime loss to West Virginia Tech in the championship game of the inaugural Big Red Classic. Senior **Kristen Sheffield (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** and sophomore **Carolyn Simpson (Dublin, OH/Scioto)** were each named to the all-tourney team. Sheffield scored 21 points, had nine rebounds and four blocks in the title game. She leads Denison with 12.9 points per game and needs just 10 more rebounds to become Denison's all-time leader. Simpson carried the Big Red in the opening 86-54 win over Thiel, scoring 23 points off 10-of-12 (.833) shooting ... **EARLHAM** narrowly lost their NCAC opener, 56-54, to Wooster last week. Junior **Whitney McBurrows (Lansing, MI/J.W. Sexton)** led the Quakers with 16 points. Junior **Lisa Vanderkolk (Bluffton, IN/Bluffton)** and sophomore **Tasha Merrill (Cedar Grove, IN/Franklin County)** added 10 points each; Merrill pulled down a team-high six rebounds ... **HIRAM** dropped a 71-44 decision to Ohio Wesleyan. **Cassie Bedard (Randolph, OH/Waterloo)** paced the Terriers with 10 points. She also added three rebounds, two steals and a block ... **KENYON** split a pair of games last week. The Ladies picked up their first win of the season when they defeated Muskingum, 73-71. They followed with a 58-54 loss to Allegheny. In terms of offensive production, junior **Hilary Gowins (Delaware, OH/Watterson)** had one of the best weeks of her career. She scored a career-high 20 points against Muskingum. Three days later, she poured in 18 points and grabbed seven rebounds, but it wasn't enough to get the Ladies past Allegheny. Overall, Gowins had two-game totals that included 38 points, nine rebounds, four assists, three steals, and a 9-of-16 (.563) performance from beyond the three-point arc ... **OBERLIN** fell 68-54 to Wittenberg and 107-39 to Baldwin-Wallace last week. Junior **Roneisha Kinney (Cleveland, OH/Rhodes)** led the way against the Tigers with a game-high 15 points and seven rebounds. Senior **Jesse Oram (New York, NY/Beacon)** netted 17 points against B-W ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** went 1-2 last week, falling twice in non-conference play and winning their NCAC opener. The Battling Bishops fell to Heidelberg, 62-47, and to Thomas More, 69-60, before topping Hiram, 71-44. Senior wing **Rachel Messaros (Reynoldsburg, OH/Bishop Hartley)** compiled 43 points over the three games and led the Bishops in scoring against Thomas More and Hiram ... **WITTENBERG** won its conference opener, 68-54, over Oberlin. Sophomore **Kristin Donawerth (Harrison, OH/Harrison)** turned in the best all-around performance for the Tigers. She finished with a host of career-highs with 14 points, five rebounds (four offensive), four steals and three assists in 27 minutes ... Senior guard **Beth Besancon Side (Wooster, OH/Smithville)** led **WOOSTER** to a 56-54 victory in the Fighting Scots' NCAC opener, scoring a team-high 15 points, including 3-of-6 three-point shooting. She also came up with a team-high three steals as well as three rebounds and two blocked shots. Earlier in the week, she scored six points and grabbed four boards in a 71-59 loss to Case.

GOWINS, BORCHERS NAMED NCAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

CLEVELAND -- Kenyon's **Hilary Gowins (Delaware, OH/Watterson)** and Wittenberg's **Dane Borchers (Russia, OH/Russia)** have been named women's and men's basketball "Players of the Week" in the North Coast Athletic Conference.

Gowins, a 5-7, junior guard, had one of the best weeks of her career. She scored a career-high 20 points to lead the Ladies to their first win of the season, a 73-71 victory over Muskingum. Three days later, she poured in 18 points and grabbed seven rebounds, but it wasn't enough to get the Ladies past Allegheny (58-54). Overall, Gowins had two-game totals that included 38 points, nine rebounds, four assists, three steals, and a 9-of-16 (.563) performance from beyond the three-point arc.

Borchers, a 6-8, senior post, scored a career-high 33 points to lead Wittenberg to a 100-85 triple overtime victory over Denison. Borchers hit a jumper with five second left in the first overtime to extend the game, then he took over the third, and final, extra period, scoring 12 points of his points to hand the Tigers the victory. He also snagged a career-high-tying 16 rebounds.



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NCAC Men's Basketball Report

WOOSTER TRAVELS TO WITTENBERG SATURDAY; FULL CONFERENCE SLATE SET

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CLEVELAND -- The North Coast schedule continues this week with a Wednesday night matchup between Wooster (1-0, 5-0) and Oberlin (1-0, 2-4) in Oberlin. This will be the only meeting between the two teams this season. The Yeomen are coming off a 52-50 win over Wabash, while the Fighting Scots are fresh off an 84-62 win over Earlham. Wooster then travels to Wittenberg (1-0, 5-0) to highlight Saturday's league contests. The two teams are amongst the winningest programs in NCAA Division III. They have won or shared every NCAC regular season title since 1988-89, the year Wittenberg joined the conference. In 2004-05, Wittenberg won two of the three meetings (two regular season and NCAC Tournament matchups). In 2005-06, Wooster won two of three, including a Feb. 4, 2006, match-up in Springfield that was the first game between the top two ranked NCAA Div. III teams in the nation in more than a decade.

Also on Saturday, the Yeomen host Hiram (0-1, 0-3), Earlham (0-1, 0-5) hosts Kenyon (1-0, 4-3) and Allegheny (0-1, 3-2) hosts Ohio Wesleyan (1-0, 6-1). The next North Coast Athletic Conference Basketball report, and the last of 2006, will be Monday, Dec. 11. Releases will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 2, and will continue on Sundays through the basketball season. Standings and statistics will be updated throughout the holidays each Monday and Thursday at www.northcoast.org. Scores will be updated daily.

HOOPS NOTES: **ALLEGHENY** saw its three-game winning run halted last week after dropping a pair of games. The Gators fell to Alfred, 73-57, and to Kenyon, 61-59, despite leading both games at the half-way point. **Bill Babe (Pittsburgh, PA/Mt. Lebanon)** scored a team-high 15 points against Alfred, while **Ryan Hollihan (Saxonburg, PA/Knoch)** added 12. Hollihan averaged 14 points and six rebounds per game in the two games. He also dished out an assist, blocked two shots and picked up two steals on the week ... **DENISON** took sixth-ranked Wittenberg to three overtimes before falling to the Tigers, 100-85. The Big Red led by as many as 12 points in the second half and had chances to win the game at the end of regulation and two overtimes, but Wittenberg's dominating third OT period squashed DU's hopes. Senior wing **Dan Izzo (St. Charles, IL/East)** scored a career-high 24 points and had a career-best 14 rebounds to go along with five assists to lead the Big Red. He helped Denison out-rebound the Tigers 48-46. Junior reserve center **Brian Elder (Granville, OH/Watkins Memorial)** gave the Big Red a major boost off the bench, scoring a career-high 16 points and team-best six assists. He was 3-for-3 from beyond the arc and is a perfect 5-for-5 from long range this season ... **EARLHAM** senior **Markous Jewett (Richmond, IN/Richmond)** led the Quakers with 14 points, while senior **LaRon Henry (Indianapolis, IN/Seccina)** and sophomore **Tristian Gregory (Evansville, IN/Harrison)** tossed in 10 points each in an 84-62 loss to Wooster ... **HIRAM** dropped a pair of games last week, falling 94-74 to Bluffton and 90-49 to Ohio Wesleyan. **Mike McDevitt (Lisbon, OH/David Anderson)** paced the Terriers with a combined 26 points and 16 rebounds over the two games ... **KENYON** won twice last week, defeating Washington & Jefferson, 69-58, and edging Allegheny, 61-59. Junior **Dave Jolson (Wyoming, OH/Wyoming)** connected on a baseline jumper with about six seconds left on the clock to seal the Lords' victory over the Gators. This marks the first time Kenyon opened their NCAC season with a win since the 2000-01 season. Freshman **Dave Knapke (Westerville, OH/St. Francis DeSales)** grabbed a combined 27 rebounds and scored 15 points in the two games. He was 4-of-5 from the free throw line and also added a steal and an assist ... Senior **Quinton Spencer (Chicago, IL/Brother Rice)** scored the game-winning basket with four seconds left to lead **OBERLIN** past Wabash, 52-50, in its conference opener. Spencer finished the contest with a game-high 15 points; he also pulled down 10 rebounds and picked up two steals against the Little Giants. He opened his week with 17 points in a 78-64 win over Case. He added five boards and a game-high six assists. He needs just 10 more points to reach the 1,000-mark for his career. The victory over Case was the first career win for first-year head coach **Isaiah Cavaco**. Junior **Jordan Beard (Oberlin, OH/Oberlin)** compiled 27 points and sophomore **Mike Loll (Davison, MI/Davison)** totaled 31 over the two games ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** won twice last week. The Battling Bishops went on a key 12-0 run during the second half to break open a close game and defeat Capital, 81-71. They followed with a 90-49 win over Hiram in league play. Senior post **Ben Chojnacki (Medina, OH/Medina)** led OWU with 19 points and 13 rebounds and shared the team lead with three assists at Capital and scored 10 points and led the squad with four assists in 17 minutes of action against Hiram ... **WABASH** junior **Andrew Zimmer (Hobart, IN/Hobart)** was one of four Little Giants to reach double figures in a 92-82 loss to DePauw. He led the way with a season-best 22 points. Junior **Gary Simkus (Highland, IN/Highland)** followed with 15 points and freshman guard **Chase Haltom (Quincy, IN/Cloverdale)** added 13. Zimmer and Haltom each scored 11 points in a 52-50 loss at Oberlin. The Little Giants host the Pete Thorn Invitational this week, which features Cincinnati Clermont, Marian and Olivet ... **WITTENBERG** squeaked past Denison, 100-85 in triple overtime, thanks in large part to senior post **Dane Borchers (Russia, OH/Russia)** and his career-high 33 points, including 12 in the third overtime period, and career-high-tying 16 rebounds. In addition, the Tigers got a career-high 19 points from sophomore wing **Gregg Hill (Redford, MI/Union)**, including a three-pointer with 26 seconds left in regulation to send the game to overtime. Sophomore wing **Kevin Murray (Carmel, IN/Carmel)** contributed 13 points, including the three-pointer with 21 seconds left in the second overtime to send the game to another five minutes. And, for good measure, Borchers knocked down a short jumper with five seconds left in the first overtime to extend the game ... **WOOSTER** senior forward **Tom Port (Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake)** combined for 35 points, 12 rebounds, and six assists, while helping the Scots to wins over Georgetown (KY), 80-73, and Earlham, 84-62. He had a game-high 19 points on 8-of-12 (.667) field goals, including 3-of-4 three-pointers, in the NCAC win over Earlham, and also added five boards and four assists against the Quakers. Earlier in the week, he scored 16 and grabbed seven caroms in a victory over the No. 8 rated team in NAIA Div. I.

2006-07 North Coast Athletic Conference Women's Basketball Standings (through games of Dec. 2 - All games)

STANDINGS	-----CONFERENCE-----				-----OVERALL-----			
	W-L	Pct	PF	PA	W-L	Pct	PF	PA
Allegheny.....	1-0	1.000	58.0	54.0	4-1	.800	59.8	57.6
Wooster.....	1-0	1.000	56.0	54.0	3-2	.600	66.2	60.0
Wittenberg.....	1-0	1.000	68.0	54.0	2-2	.500	69.2	68.5
Ohio Wesleyan.....	1-0	1.000	71.0	44.0	2-4	.333	57.7	58.7
Denison.....	0-0	.000	0.0	0.0	4-3	.571	69.0	65.1
Oberlin.....	0-1	.000	54.0	68.0	2-3	.400	60.6	75.0
Hiram.....	0-1	.000	44.0	71.0	1-2	.333	58.0	61.7
Kenyon.....	0-1	.000	54.0	58.0	1-4	.200	61.2	70.0
Earlham.....	0-1	.000	54.0	56.0	0-5	.000	51.6	64.0

Monday, November 27

Heidelberg 62, Ohio Wesleyan 47

Wednesday, November 29

Baldwin-Wallace 107, Oberlin 39
Case 71, Wooster 59
Kenyon 73, Muskingum 71
Thomas More 69, Ohio Wesleyan 60

Friday, December 1

Denison 86, Thiel 54

Saturday, December 2

Allegheny 58, Kenyon 54
Ohio Wesleyan 71, Hiram 44
WV Tech 83, Denison 73 (ot)
Wittenberg 68, Oberlin 54
Wooster 56, Earlham 54

Upcoming Women's Basketball

Monday, December 4

Kalamazoo at Oberlin, 6:00

Tuesday, December 5

Westminster at Allegheny, 7:00

Wednesday, December 6

Thiel at Hiram, 6:00
Earlham at Denison, 7:00
Wittenberg at Thomas More, 7:30
Case at Kenyon, 7:30

Thursday, Dec. 7

Ursuline at Oberlin, 7:00

Saturday, December 9

Kenyon at Earlham, 1:00
Marygrove at Oberlin, 1:00
Ohio Wesleyan at Allegheny, 1:00
Denison at Hiram, 2:00

Wooster at Wittenberg, 2:00

Monday, December 11

Allegheny at Oberlin, 7:30

Tuesday, December 12

Otterbein at Kenyon, 7:30

Wednesday, December 13

Allegheny at Grove City, 7:00
Hiram at Ursuline, 7:00
Ohio Northern at Ohio Wesleyan, 7:30

Friday, December 15

Earlham at Rose-Hulman Tournament

Saturday, December 16

Earlham at Rose-Hulman Tournament

Monday, December 18

Wittenberg at Manchester, 5:00

Tuesday, December 19

Hiram at Lake Erie, 1:00
Wooster at La Verne, 1:00
DePauw at Wittenberg, 6:00
Earlham at St. Mary of the Woods, 7:00

Wednesday, December 20

Wilmington at Wittenberg, 7:30

Thursday, December 21

Wooster at Whittier, 12:00
Bluffton at Earlham, 3:00
Chatham at Hiram, 7:00

Tuesday, December 26

Allegheny at South Padre Shootout

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	W-L	Pct	PF	PA	W-L	Pct	PF	PA
Wooster.....	1-0	1.000	84.0	62.0	5-0	1.000	92.4	66.8
Wittenberg.....	1-0	1.000	100.0	85.0	5-0	1.000	72.8	62.2
Ohio Wesleyan.....	1-0	1.000	90.0	49.0	6-1	.857	86.7	62.6
Kenyon.....	1-0	1.000	61.0	59.0	4-3	.571	63.6	63.3
Oberlin.....	1-0	1.000	52.0	50.0	2-4	.333	62.3	69.7
Allegheny.....	0-1	.000	59.0	61.0	3-2	.600	66.2	67.8
Wabash.....	0-1	.000	50.0	52.0	1-4	.200	64.6	67.0
Denison.....	0-1	.000	85.0	100.0	1-5	.167	73.7	81.0
Hiram.....	0-1	.000	49.0	90.0	0-3	.000	65.7	86.7
Earlham.....	0-1	.000	62.0	84.0	0-5	.000	64.6	78.4

Tuesday, November 28

Wooster 80, Georgetown (KY) 73
Bluffton 94, Hiram 74
DePauw 92, Wabash 82

Wednesday, November 29

Alfred 73, Allegheny 57
Ohio Wesleyan 81, Capital 71
Oberlin 78, Case 64
Kenyon 69, Wash. & Jefferson 58

Saturday, December 2

Oberlin 52, Wabash 50
Kenyon 61, Allegheny 59
Wooster 84, Earlham 62
Ohio Wesleyan 90, Hiram 49
Wittenberg 100, Denison 85, (3ot)

Upcoming Men's Basketball

Tuesday, December 5

Cedarville at Wittenberg, 7:30

Wednesday, December 6

Allegheny at Westminster, 7:30
Denison at Wash. & Jefferson, 7:30
Kenyon at Case, 7:30
Wooster at Oberlin, 7:30
Mount Union at Hiram, 8:00

Friday, December 8

Wabash Pete Thorn Invite

Saturday, December 9

Wabash Pete Thorn Invite
Hiram at Oberlin, 3:00
Kenyon at Earlham, 3:00
Ohio Wesleyan at Allegheny, 3:00
Wooster at Wittenberg, 7:30

Monday, December 11

Grove City at Kenyon, 7:00

Wednesday, December 13

Hiram at Grove City, 8:00
Oberlin at Wilmington, 7:30
Thiel at Allegheny, 7:30

Thursday, December 14

Rose-Hulman at Earlham, 7:30

Saturday, December 16

Earlham at Franklin, 3:00
Hiram at Thiel, 3:00
Cedarville at Wooster, 8:00
Wabash at Denison, 7:00

Monday, December 18

Earlham at Anderson, 7:30
Franklin at Wabash, 7:30

Wooster at Pomona-Pitzer, 7:30

Tuesday, December 19

Denison at DIII Desert Shootout
Wittenberg at Ohio Northern, 7:30

Wednesday, December 20

Denison at DIII Desert Shootout
Earlham, at Wash. & Jefferson Tourn.
DePauw at Kenyon, 2:00
Wooster at CA Baptist, 7:30

Thursday, December 21

Earlham at Wash. & Jefferson Tourn.
Hiram at Heidelberg, 7:30
Wilmington at Ohio Wesleyan, 7:30
Wittenberg at Otterbein, 7:30



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NCAC Swimming & Diving Report

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The coming week has just two swim meets scheduled, then all North Coast squads will be done with competition until after the holidays. Saturday, Ohio Wesleyan hosts Wilmington in a dual meet, and Hiram travels for a dual at Grove City.

WOMEN'S POOL NOTES: ALLEGHENY competed at the non-scoring Eastern Michigan Invitational. Sophomore **Erin Ham (Franklin, PA/Franklin Area)** was the star for the Gators as she finished ninth in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:07.93, and was 10th in the 200 breast (2:26.60), narrowly missing the NCAA III provisional qualifying times in both events. She finished ninth overall. She was also part of the 12th-place 200-yard medley relay team. **Carolyn Nairn (Lubbock, TX/Brownwell-Talbot)** also was part of that relay, and just missed qualifying standards with her 10th-place finishes in the 100 backstroke (1:01.81), and 200 backstroke (2:10.87) ... DENISON finished third in the 11-team Miami Invitational. Senior **Mary Dain ()** was sixth in the 100 butterfly with a time of 57.16 to meet the NCAA III automatic qualifying standard. **Meg Cassell (Albany, OR/South Albany)** wound up fifth in the 200 backstroke (2:05.64), just short of the A cut, but did qualify in the 100 back when she took third in the event (58.08). **Diana Harlow (Andover, MA/Andover)** did not reach the finals in the 400 individual medley but did make the NCAA III automatic qualifying time, touching in 4:31.37. She did not advance to the finals despite winning her heat; Her prelim time was 10th best overall. Had she swum that time in the finals, however, she would have wound up third ... HIRAM finished third of nine teams at the Grove City Invitational. Junior **Shelly Leshe (Palm City, FL/Mantlin County)** led the way with victories in the 100 butterfly (59.96) and 200 butterfly (2:11.57), and was second in the 200 individual medley (2:16.77) ... KENYON won the Nike Cup Invitational, hosted by the Ladies. Entering the second day 53 points behind the leader, Kenyon had an outstanding Day 2 to claim the title. Freshman **Tina Ertel (Halle, Germany/Sportgymnasium Halle)** was the star of the day as she led off the second-place 800-yard freestyle relay that clocked just .11 seconds off the national Division III record. She also swam a leg on the winning 200-yard freestyle and 200-yard medley relay teams. She also took the 200-yard individual medley title (2:05.58) and tied for first in the 100-yard butterfly (57.29), and was second in the 200 free (1:50.86). All five events met NCAA III automatic qualifying cuts. Senior **Jessica Connors (Cedarburg, WI/Divine Savior Holy Angels)** won the 200 breaststroke (2:20.25) and automatically qualified for the national meet ... OBERLIN finished sixth at the Wooster Invitational. Leading the Yeowomen was sophomore **Bryne Ulmschneider (Midland, TX/Midland)**. She finished second in the 500 free (5:19.19) and was third in the 1650 free (18:51.49). Her time in the 1650 was the fifth fastest in Oberlin history ... WITTENBERG placed second at the DePauw Invitational. Freshmen **Adeline Brym (Mansfield, Ohio/Lexington)** and **Katie Johnson (Springfield, Ohio/North)** combined for over 100 points for the Tigers ... WOOSTER won its own 10-team invitational, led by sophomore **Meggie Edwards (Lynchburg, Va. / E.C. Glass)**, who narrowly missed posting an NCAA Div. III Championships-qualifying time in the 100 backstroke, as her winning mark of 1:00.02 was just three hundredths shy of getting on the list for nationals. She also came in second in the 100 free (54.18) and third in the 50 free (24.96), and was part of both of Wooster's winning relay teams, the 200 freestyle (1:40.21) and the 200 medley (1:51.39).

MEN'S POOL NOTES: Senior **Nick Johnson (Hastings-on-Hudson, NY/Hastings)** paced ALLEGHENY at the Eastern Michigan Invitational after taking sixth in the 200-yard backstroke, narrowly missing the NCAA Division III provisional qualifying mark by touching the wall in 1:55.91. Johnson later went on to lead the 400-yard freestyle relay to 10th place in a season-best time of 3:16.54 ... DENISON easily outpaced the field at the Miami Invitational. Senior **Lowell Byers (Chappaqua, NY/Horace Greeley)** enjoyed an outstanding weekend, with five first-place finishes, four 'A' cut times, one second place, two thirds and one fourth place finish in his nine events. Individually, he won the 100 fly (49.39) and 50 freestyle (20.76), then placed second in the 100 backstroke (51.33). He was a part of three first place, 'A' cut relay teams. Those relay victories came in the 800, 400 and 200 freestyles. In his nine swims, Byers helped account for 461 of Denison's 1,779.5 points. Senior **Bryce Peterson (Niwot, CO/Niwot)** logged four first-place finishes and five 'A' cut times. Peterson rolled to a win in the 400 IM with a time of 3:58.72. In the 500 free he touched in 4:30.30 and the 1650 free he swam a time of 15:52.10. He was also a part of Denison's winning 400 and 800 free relay teams ... HIRAM finished seventh of eight teams at the Grove City Invitational. The Terriers were led by freshman **Glen Switzer (Dade City, FL/Zephyrhills)**, who won the one-meter diving event with 215.95 points. Hiram had one other top-ten performer in junior **Bryan Christiansen (Rochester, NY/Penfield)** who placed ninth overall in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 2:09.84 ... KENYON placed second in its own Nike Cup Invitational. Sophomore **Eric Dunn (Wilmington, DE/The Tatnall School)** got things started for Kenyon with a win in the event-opening 1,650-yard freestyle with an NCAA 'A' cut time of 15:49.89. He also placed second in the 400-yard individual medley (4:04.40) and fourth in the 500-yard freestyle (4:36.35). Those two times also cleared the NCAA 'A' cut. Additional winners for Kenyon included sophomore **Matthew Harris (Laurel, MD/DeMatha)** in the 100-yard butterfly (50.30) and senior **Joey Gosselar (Holland, MI/West Ottawa)** in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:04.87) ... OBERLIN finished seventh at the Wooster Invitational. Sophomore **Scott McInerney (Randolph, NJ/Randolph)** paced the Yeomen as he continued to dominate the sprints this year. He finished both the 100-yard butterfly (52.67) and 50-yard free (21.66) in second place. His preliminary time of 52.12 in the 100-yard fly was the fastest time of the day in the event, and he improved from his seed time by over four seconds ... WABASH placed fifth at the Nike Cup. The 200 medley relay team posted a time of 1:35.58 to finish seventh overall. At the DePauw Invitational, the Little Giants finished third out of 10 teams. Freshman **Pat Laughlin (Ft. Wayne, IN/Homestead)** took second place in the 200 backstroke with a time of 1:59.66. He was also fourth in the 100 backstroke (56.08). **Rob Fenoglio (SO/Highland, IN/Highland)** was the top performer for the Little Giants at the Wabash Diving Invitational. He took fifth place on the one-meter board (379.55 points) and was fourth on the three-meter board (388.60) ... WITTENBERG wound up second at the DePauw Invitational. **Neil Anderson (Lakewood, OH/Lakewood)** led all scorers in the men's meet with 60 points ... WOOSTER was runner up in a field of eight teams at Wooster Invitational. The Scots' highest individual finish over the weekend came from freshman **Ryan Radtke (Willoughby, OH/Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin)**, who was the runner-up in the 200 IM (2:00.30).