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NCAC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK (April 6)

BASEBALL (PITCHER/PLAYER)

PITCHER OF THE WEEK: Ohio Wesleyan freshman left-hander **Mason Farr (West Lafayette, IN/West Lafayette)** allowed an unearned run in the first inning then scattered four hits and struck out eight in a 12-1 victory over Earlham. He didn't walk a single batter in his six innings of work. He also worked 2.0 scoreless innings in a 6-5 loss at Heidelberg, striking out three and walking none, but did not earn a decision. **PLAYER OF THE WEEK:** Kenyon senior **Jake Calcei (Mantua, OH/Aurora)** was 10-for-14 (.714) with six runs scored and four RBI to lead the Lords to a four-game sweep over Oberlin in NCAC divisional play. Included on his hit list were three doubles, a triple, and a home run. He walked twice, had a .750 on-base percentage, and also swiped two bases. His triple was the 20th of his career, a total that ranks first at Kenyon and is tied for 11th in NCAA Division III history.

MEN'S LACROSSE

Senior co-captain **Nate Hall (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** led Denison in its 17-9 defeat of rival Ohio Wesleyan. Hall scored four goals and four assists as the Big Red topped the Battling Bishops in Delaware for the first time since the 2000 season.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Allegheny junior **Meg Grossman (Lexington, KY/Sayre School)** recorded 10 goals, three assists, 11 draw controls and eight ground balls in the Gators' 2-0 week. She tallied five goals and two assists in a 21-17 defeat of Washington & Jefferson, then added another five scores with an assist in a 23-10 NCAC victory over Oberlin.

SOFTBALL (PITCHER/PLAYER)

PITCHER OF THE WEEK: Hiram junior **Whitney Dropsey (Ashland, OH/Hillsdale)** pitched 32.1 innings last week, posting a 3-2 record with a 2.17 earned-run average. She allowed 10 earned runs and struck out 21 as the Terriers went 3-1 in conference play, 3-3 overall. **PLAYER OF THE WEEK:** Kenyon's **Ellen Witkowski (Banks, OR/St. Mary's Academy)** hit 9-for-18 (.500) with nine runs scored and eight RBI in the Ladies' 5-1 week. She ripped four doubles, a home run, and posted an .889 slugging percentage as Kenyon split with Ohio Wesleyan and swept both Oberlin and Mt. St. Joseph.

OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD (MEN/WOMEN)

Men's Distance: Denison freshman **Dee Salukombo (Lakewood, OH/Lakewood)** won the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the Washington & Jefferson Invitational. His time of 9:37.30 was a meet record.

Men's Sprints/Hurdles: Oberlin junior **Seth Wimberly (Covington, GA/Eastside)** was fourth in the 100 meters at the Marv Frye Invitational, hosted by Ohio Wesleyan. He crossed the line in 11.16 seconds. He was also sixth in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 57.01 seconds, and was part of the third-place 4x400-meter relay that finished in 3:21.09.

Men's Field: Wooster junior **Eric Dyer (Lexington, MA/Lexington)** won the triple jump and was second in the long jump at the Marietta Invitational. He leapt 44 feet, 2.5 inches to win the triple jump and sailed 21 feet, 2 inches in the long jump.

Women's Distance: Oberlin senior **Nicky Ouellet (Dunbarton, NH/Goffstown)** won the 1500 meters at the Marv Frye Invitational hosted by Ohio Wesleyan. She posted a time of 4:42.75, and was second in the 800 meters in 2:18.82.

Women's Sprints/Hurdles: Oberlin junior **Madeline Schultz (Concord, MA/Concord Carlisle)** won the 400-meter hurdles at the Marv Frye Invitational hosted by Ohio Wesleyan. She was also sixth in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 16.30 seconds.

Women's Field: Earlham freshman **Elizabeth Ross (Davie, FL/Pinecrest)** remained unbeaten in the high jump as she won the event at the Anderson Invitational. Ross cleared 5 feet, 2.5 inches to top the field by 1.5 inches.



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NCAC Spring Sports Update

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BASEBALL REPORT

Two undefeated teams enter Friday and Saturday's East Division showdown in Gambier. The home team, Kenyon (8-0, 17-11), is off to an 8-0 start in league play after sweeping both Hiram and Oberlin. The Lords welcome a Wooster (12-0, 24-4) squad that has rolled past Allegheny, Oberlin and Hiram on its way to a perfect 12-0 record. Last spring, the Fighting Scots took all four games from the Lords. Both squads are coming off winning weeks as Kenyon took games from Oberlin, 7-3, 7-4, 1-0 (8) and 5-4, while Wooster defeated Hiram, 13-5, 15-5, 10-4 and 3-0. Allegheny (2-4, 10-12) enters the week in third place. The Gators resume conference play at Oberlin (0-8, 7-19), also on Friday and Saturday. Hiram (0-10, 1-20) has a bye week in the division and will host Grove City on Wednesday.

Denison (6-0, 15-9) strengthened its hold on first place in the West Division after sweeping its series against fourth-place Wittenberg (4-6, 10-13) last week by scores of 3-2, 2-0, 9-0 and 17-10. The Big Red look to further distance themselves from their divisional foes with four games at second-place Ohio Wesleyan (5-3, 14-11) on Friday and Saturday. Denison also had a doubleheader set for tomorrow at Washington & Jefferson; the twinbill has been postponed to Wednesday and will now be a single, nine-inning game due to a threatening weather forecast. The Battling Bishops went 3-1 against fifth-place Earlham (2-8, 8-15) last week, winning the series-opening doubleheader 18-8 and 12-1, before the Quakers rallied for a 4-3 victory in game three. OWU came back to close the series with a 10-8 victory in game four. Wabash (3-3, 8-12) sits in third place. The Little Giants will try to better their place in the standings with a homestand against Earlham, also on Friday and Saturday. Wittenberg has a bye week in the division and will play at Dayton on Wednesday.

Notes: **ALLEGHENY** compiled a 2-3 record last week, falling to 10-12 on the season. The Gators had a record-setting week - a painful record, as 11 Allegheny batters were hit with pitches during a 15-12 win over La Roche. The Redhawks and Gators combined for 12 hit batsmen, which is also an NCAA Division III high. **Aaron Lynch (Concord, NC/A.L. Brown)** went 2-for-5 in the victory, scored once and drove in two runs. He also rapped three hits and three scores in an 11-3 victory over Juniata. **Mike Pereslucha (Pittsburgh, PA/Kiski)** hurled five innings against Juniata to earn the win. He allowed three hits and two earned runs while fanning five and walking three. Allegheny's losses came against La Roche, 10-4, and 19th-ranked Salisbury, 14-2 and 7-2 ... **DENISON** improved to 6-0 in the NCAC West after a four-game sweep of Wittenberg, 3-2, 2-0, 9-0, 17-10. The Big Red trailed the Tigers 10-4 heading to the bottom of the fifth inning in game four, but would go on to score 13 runs over the final two innings to pull off the victory. Junior designated hitter **Aidan Lucas' (Evanston, IL/Evanston Township)** grand slam in the bottom of the fifth inning sparked the comeback. In the series, he was 6-for-13 (.462) with two doubles, one home run, four runs scored and 12 runs batted in. For the week, he finished 9-for-20 (.450) with five walks and 14 RBI as the Big Red also dropped games to Muskingum, 6-4, and Otterbein, 14-5. He leads the team in batting average (.438) and runs batted in (37) and extended his hitting streak to 15 games - the longest streak at Denison since **Brian Regan** hit in 18 straight in 2003. On the mound, Lucas tied the Denison single-season record for saves with eight. He has allowed just two earned runs while striking out 21 in 17 innings of work. **Bob Giarratani's (Winthrop, MA/Bishop Fenwick)** complete-game shutout in game three against Wittenberg lowered his season earned run average to 3.00, best among Denison's starting pitchers. He gave up five hits in seven innings pitched, striking out two ... **EARLHAM** trailed Spalding 6-3 with the bases loaded in the seventh, then the Quakers scored four times to pull out a 7-6 victory in the opening game of a non-conference doubleheader. Sophomore **Andrew Morriscal (Summitville, IN/Madison-Grant)** led the way with three hits. The Quakers dropped the nightcap, 5-4. The Quakers went on to a 2-5 week with losses to Franklin, 22-1, and to Ohio Wesleyan, 18-8, 12-1 and 10-8. Earlham took game three of the series against OWU, 4-3. Senior **Tilmon Clark (Winchester, IN/Winchester)** capped a two-run rally in the bottom of the seventh with an RBI single to clinch the win. Senior **Alex Anderson (Logansport, IN/Logansport)** went the distance on the mound for the victory. He struck out three batters and gave up six hits and three runs, two earned. Morriscal finished the week hitting 12-26 (.462) with a homer and seven RBI ... **HIRAM** dropped a four-game NCAC series against Wooster, 13-5, 15-5, 10-4 and 3-0. **Mark Reifsnnyder (Tallmadge, OH/Tallmadge)** was 7-for-12 (.583) at the plate with four runs scored, a double and four RBI ... **KENYON** improved it to 8-0 in NCAC play with a four-game sweep of Oberlin, 7-3, 7-4, 1-0 (8), 5-4. The Lords pitching staff was dominant throughout the weekend, holding the Yeomen to just 25 hits and nine earned runs in 29 innings pitched (2.79 ERA). Sophomore **Mike Kalis (Sewickley, PA/Sewickley Academy)** highlighted the hurlers' weekend by going the distance in the Lords' 1-0 extra-inning, game-three win. He threw all eight innings, gave up six hits, walked one, and struck out four. At the plate, senior **Jake Calcei (Mantua, OH/Aurora)** was 10-for-14 (.714) with six runs scored and four RBI. Included on his hit list were three doubles, a triple, and a home run. He walked twice, had a .750 on-base percentage, and also swiped two bases. His triple was the 20th of his career, a total that ranks first at Kenyon and is tied for 11th

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in NCAA Division III history ... **OBERLIN** sophomore **Ben Kauder (Toledo, OH/St. John's Jesuit)** batted .583 (7-12) with two doubles as the Yeomen dropped a four-game set with Kenyon, 7-3, 7-4, 1-0 (8), 5-4 ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** had a 3-1 NCAC week and went 4-2 overall. Senior **Logan Hronis (Rocky River, OH/St. Edward)** led the way, hitting .522 (12-23) with three doubles, a homer, eight RBI and seven runs scored. He also did not make an error in the field as the Battling Bishops opened the week with a 6-5 loss to Heidelberg and an 8-6 win over Marietta in non-conference play. OWU took three of four games from Earlham in an NCAC West Division matchup. The Bishops took the first doubleheader, 18-8 and 12-1, before dropping the third game, 4-3. OWU bounced back to close the series with a 10-8 victory in the final game. Freshman left-hander **Mason Farr (West Lafayette, IN/West Lafayette)** scattered four hits and struck out eight in the game two victory over the Quakers. He didn't walk a single batter in his six innings of work. He also worked 2.0 scoreless innings in the loss at Heidelberg, striking out three and walking none, but did not earn a decision ... **WABASH** is 8-12 and an even 3-3 in the NCAC West Division. The Little Giants opened last week with a 16-7 loss against DePauw and an 11-0 loss to Div. I Purdue. They ended the week on a high note, however, taking both ends of a twinbill against Robert Morris-Springfield, 15-1 and 5-4. Freshman **Chris Deig (Evansville, IN/Reitz)** moved into the number-two spot in the starting lineup and immediately showed what an excellent decision that was. He hit .533 (8-of-15) with a double and seven RBI with two walks and a stolen base over the four games. Deig's efforts improved his season average to .327. He produced all seven RBI in two games against Robert Morris-Springfield (Ill.) while collecting five hits in seven at-bats against the Eagles. Senior **Matt Dodaro (Saint John, IN/Lake Central)** laced two hits against RMC-S to become the all-time leader in hits at Wabash with 167. He drilled a two-base hit against the Eagles to move into a tie for second on the Little Giants' all-time doubles list. Senior **Jake Thomas (Evanston, IL/Evanston)** added five hits to his career totals to move into third on the Wabash all-time hits list with 162, becoming just the third player in Little Giant history to tally more than 160 hits, joining Dodaro and **Jay Dee Flynn ... WITTENBERG** went 2-4 last week. Sophomore catcher **Jason Haunty (Worthington, OH/Thomas Worthington)** batted .400 (4-10) with five runs scored and three RBI in the three games he played ... **WOOSTER** rolled to a 5-1 week, with wins over Marietta, 11-10 (11) and Hiram, 13-5, 15-5, 10-4 and 3-0. The Fighting Scots fell to Baldwin-Wallace 17-8. Senior centerfielder **Sean Karpen (Venetia, PA/Peters Twp.)** batted an even .500 (13-for-26) with eight runs scored, three doubles, one home run, and five RBI, while extending his hitting streak to 28 games – one shy of tying the conference and school record (**Kurt Kapferer** 29-game hit streak in 2006). He reached base four other times via three walks and a hit by pitch for a .567 on-base percentage. Over the weekend at Hiram, Karpen produced five hits in doubleheaders both Saturday (5-for-9) and Sunday (5-for-8). Sophomore right-hander **Justin McDowell (Willard, OH/Willard)** threw the first complete-game shutout of his career, as the Scots closed out the Hiram series with a 3-0 victory. He set down the first 10 batters he faced and wound up giving up five hits and a walk, to go with 11 strikeouts – a career-best. McDowell also pitched 2.2 innings of middle relief during Wooster's 11-10 win over No. 15 ranked Marietta, allowing just one run and giving him a 0.93 ERA for the week.

GOLF REPORT

In the coming week, Denison, Hiram, Kenyon, Ohio Wesleyan, Wittenberg and Wooster all compete in the Strimer/Lamkin Invitational, to be held at Glenross and Oakhaven golf courses. The Battling Bishops are hosts. Wabash competes in the Big Four tournament on Thursday. The annual tournament features teams from Wabash, Butler, DePauw and Hanover. Allegheny and Oberlin are idle.

The third leg of the North Coast Athletic Conference championship series will be hosted by Wabash on April 18-19. The event will be held at the Trophy Club in Lebanon, Indiana. The final event of the 2009 season, the NCAC Invitational, will be hosted by Allegheny at the Country Club of Meadville on May 2-3.

Notes: Five NCAC teams participated in Denison's Ted Barclay Spring Invitational last weekend. **WITTENBERG** was the top team finisher in a tie for second place, behind champion DePauw. The Tigers shot a two-round 301-300=601, and were led by freshman **Brian Rolland (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** in a tie for fourth individually. Rolland carded a 72-74=146 to pace all conference golfers at the event. **OHIO WESLEYAN** sent five golfers who combined to finish eighth in the 14-team event. Junior **Peter Joyce (Chevy Chase, MD/Bethesda-Chevy Chase)** was the top Battling Bishop golfer with a 74-78=152, good for a tie for 17th. Host **DENISON** wound up 10th behind senior **Kenny Smaga's (Land O' Lakes, FL/Walsh Jesuit)** 14th place tie. He shot 74-77=151 as the second-best NCAC individual. **WOOSTER** followed in 12th place and **KENYON** was 14th. The Fighting Scots' were paced by freshman **Michael Peters (Evanston, IL/Evanston Township)** in a tie for 27th (75-79=154), while the Lords' top individual was senior **Dan Dierenfeld (Arlington, VA/Potomac School)** in a tie for 50th (81-76=157). Peters has shot scores in the 70s in nine of his past 10 rounds ... **ALLEGHENY** placed third in the Mid-Atlantic Regional. The event featured the 15 highest-ranked teams in the region. **Christian Goetz (Burgettstown Area)** placed fourth with a two-round 152. **Mike Wolfe (Erie, PA/McDowell)** was one stroke back with a 153.

MEN'S LACROSSE REPORT

Two conference games are on tap for the coming week and both contests involve Oberlin (0-1, 1-5). Beginning Wednesday, the Yeomen host Denison (3-0, 6-1) and then Sunday, Oberlin visits Wittenberg (0-2, 5-3).

In non-conference play, Wooster (0-1, 4-4) and Ohio Wesleyan (1-1, 5-4) host Adrian and St. Vincent, respectively, on Wednesday. Sunday, the Bulldogs head to Denison and Colorado College visits Kenyon (1-0, 5-3).

Notes: **DENISON** defeated Ohio Wesleyan, 17-9, to earn its first victory in Delaware since the 2000 season, a six-game stretch. Sophomore attack **Emmett Jones (Colorado Springs, CO/Air Academy)** and senior **Nate Hall (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)**

combined for nine goals and four assists to lead the offense. Jones had five goals while Hall posted four goals and four assists. The Big Red have won five of the last six meetings with rival OWU, and now lead the all-time series, 44-42-1 ... **KENYON** opened conference play with a 7-5 defeat of Wittenberg. **Brett Fuller (Marlborough, MA/Avon Old Farms)** scored the sixth goal that broke a 5-5 tie in the fourth quarter. He finished with a pair of scores. **Devin Catlin (Charlottesville, VA/Western Albemarle)** contributed two goals and an assist, improving his season total to 36 points. He has 196 career points, fourth on the Lords' all-time list ... **OBERLIN** lost to Ohio Wesleyan, 24-3, before losing a double-overtime game to Medaille, 13-12. Junior **Alex Jacobs (Brookville, NY/Jericho)** had a team-best four goals during the two games ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** tied a school record by scoring 12 goals in the first quarter of a 24-3 victory over Oberlin. Senior attacker **Karl Zimmerman (Utica, MI/Brother Rice)** totaled three goals and three assists against the Yeomen. Junior **Rob Young (Langhorne, PA/Council Rock South)** led the OWU attack with two goals and an assist in a 17-9 loss to Denison ... Junior **Danny Johnson (Cincinnati, OH/Indian Hill)** picked up nine ground balls while sophomore goalkeeper **Mark DeOliveira (East Hanover, NJ/East Hanover)** made 12 saves, but **WITTENBERG** lost to Kenyon, 7-5 ... Junior attacker **Alex Mies (Birmingham, MI/Cranbrook Kingswood)** posted a career-high eight points in **WOOSTER'S** 18-7 defeat of St. Vincent. Mies scored four times and assisted on four others. He has a team-best 28 points this season.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE REPORT

Four North Coast games are scheduled for the week ahead. Wittenberg (1-0, 4-2) and Wooster (2-0, 5-3) share the early lead having won in the first week of conference play. The Fighting Scots resume conference play tomorrow when third-place (tie) Allegheny (1-1, 4-4) heads west to Wooster. The Scots then hit the road for a Saturday tilt with sixth-place (tie) Denison (0-1, 3-4). The Tigers drive to Pennsylvania to take on non-conference foe Waynesburg Friday, then visit the Gators on Saturday.

The two teams tied for third – Kenyon (1-1, 7-2) and Ohio Wesleyan (1-1, 5-4) – meet tomorrow in Gambier. The rest of the schedule features non-conference action. Wednesday, Oberlin (0-2, 0-7) plays at Washington & Jefferson, Thursday, Allegheny entertains Fredonia State and Saturday, the Yeowomen welcome Adrian.

Notes: **ALLEGHENY** won twice last week to improve to 4-4 overall. The Gators defeated Washington & Jefferson, 21-17, then defeated Oberlin, 23-10 for their first NCAC victory of the season. Junior midfielder **Meg Grossman (Lexington, KY/Sayre School)** recorded 10 goals and three assists. She netted 10 goals on 13 shots for a .923 shooting percentage, while adding 11 draw controls and eight ground balls. Grossman had five goals and two assists versus W&J, then added another five goals and one assist against the Yeowomen. **Abby Silvester (Mentor, OH/Lake Catholic)** contributed a season-high seven points on five goals and two assists against Oberlin. The 23 goals scored by AC against Oberlin breaks a single-game school record of 22, set earlier this season against Frostburg ... **DENISON** lost twice last week, including a 9-8 decision to Kenyon in its conference opener. **Sara Langsam (Philadelphia, PA/Germantown Friends)** and **Lindsay Howard (Lake Forest, IL/Lake Forest)** each scored five times against the Ladies. In a 9-3 loss to Notre Dame, sophomore **Jenny Strathern (Worthington, OH/Thomas Worthington)** scored two of her team's three goals ... **KENYON'S** three-game win streak came to an end with a 15-14 triple overtime loss to Wooster. Sophomore **Jackie Shirreffs (South Elgin, IL/St. Charles North)** totaled three goals and two assists ... **OBERLIN** sophomore **Taylor Fey (Raymond, ME/Hebron Academy)** contributed seven goals and one assist in a pair of conference losses. The Yeowomen fell to Wooster, 18-8, and Allegheny, 23-10 ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** fell to Wittenberg, 14-13 in overtime, and Hartwick, 9-7, then defeated Morrisville State, 25-20. Junior midfielder **Jessica Copeland (Ligonier, PA/Foxcroft, VA)** totaled nine goals and one assist, and accounted for the game-winner against Morrisville ... **WITTENBERG** defeated Ohio Wesleyan, 14-13 in overtime and lost to St. Vincent, 9-6. The victory over the Battling Bishops was the second by the Tigers over OWU since 2001. A goal by Wittenberg's **Jordan Beauchamp (Noblesville, IN/Hamilton Southeastern)** with nine seconds left in regulation sent the game with the Bishops to overtime. Freshman **Lindsey Hanners (New Albany, OH/Columbus School for Girls)** notched the overtime game-winner. **Lizzie Amorello (Sutton, MA/Worcester Academy)** scored four goals with two assists and four ground balls against OWU ... **WOOSTER** opened NCAC play with a pair of victories. The Fighting Scots sent down Oberlin, 18-8, and Kenyon, 15-14 in 3OT. Sophomore attacker **Nina Dine (Tuckahoe, NY/E.C. Fieldston School)** scored the overtime game winner with 52 seconds left in the third overtime session. For the week, she totaled two goals and four assists. Dine continues to lead Wooster in scoring with 31 points on 20 goals and 11 assists.

SOFTBALL REPORT

All eight North Coast teams are scheduled to play a pair of conference doubleheaders this week. With poor weather conditions already present and expected to continue into Tuesday, the four NCAC softball doubleheaders scheduled for tomorrow have already been re-scheduled. Wednesday features a doubleheader between the two teams tied for seventh – Oberlin (0-4, 4-12) and Wooster (0-4, 2-24). Thursday, first-place Denison (4-0, 12-11) will host second-place (tie) Kenyon (3-1, 14-8), second-place (tie) Ohio Wesleyan (3-1, 16-7-1) entertains sixth-place Wittenberg (1-3, 9-17), and fifth-place Allegheny (2-2, 12-10) welcomes second-place (tie) Hiram (3-1, 16-8). Still scheduled for Tuesday is a

On Saturday, Denison hosts the Gators, Hiram plays the Battling Bishops, Wooster expects Kenyon and Wittenberg entertains the Yeowomen.

Notes: **ALLEGHENY** split its games, winning two over Oberlin, 14-2 and 7-0, then losing a pair to Ohio Wesleyan, 8-4 and 10-2. In game

one against the Yeowomen, **Maggie Bodenlos (Pittsburgh, PA/Shady Side Academy)** hit a double, triple and home run, while **Bessie Artino (Bellevue, OH/Bellevue)** hit a school-record three home runs in game two. For the week, Artino hit 7-for-12 (.583) with three HRs, three runs scored, six RBI a 1.33 slugging percentage and .615 on-base percentage. The Gators' six-game win streak was snapped by the Battling Bishops. Bodenlos scored twice and smashed another home run against OWU ... In a 5-3 week, **DENISON** ran its record to 4-0 in the North Coast, on doubleheader sweeps of Wittenberg and Wooster. Junior pitcher **Sam Rumschlag (Carmel, IN/Cathedral)** posted a 3-1 record. In 27.2 innings pitched, she allowed seven earned runs while striking out 18. Freshman **Lauren Lynn (Cincinnati, OH/Sycamore)** hit 13-for-29 (.448) with four doubles, one home run and five RBI. DU has six players hitting over .300 and the team's average at the plate is .313 ... **HIRAM** swept a conference twinbill with Wooster, 3-1 and 8-2, then split a pair with Wittenberg, losing 3-1 in game one and winning 10-8 in game two. In between, Penn State-Behrend swept the Terriers, 5-2 (9) and 6-0. Junior **Whitney Dropsey (Ashland, OH/Hillsdale)** hit 9-for-21 with five runs scored and a .429 average. She also stole four bases. Dropsey was 3-2 on the mound, with 10 runs allowed in 32.1 innings pitched. She struck out 21, walked eight, and threw two complete games. Dropsey's earned-run average for the week was 2.16 ... **KENYON** went 5-1 in six games last week, including a 3-1 mark in conference. The Ladies hit .410 as a team, led by senior **Kelly Adams (Lexington, MA/Lexington)** who hit 12-for-20 (.600). **Ellen Witkowski (Banks, OR/St. Mary's Academy)** hit 9-for-18 (.500) with nine runs scored, eight RBI, four doubles and a home run. Junior pitcher **Jenny Dillon (Norman, OK/North)** threw a pair of complete-game wins. In 14 innings of work, she allowed 14 hits, three earned runs, struck out eight, walked one and posted a 1.50 earned run average. The Ladies split with Ohio Wesleyan, 2-10 and 11-4, swept Oberlin, 9-1 and 7-2, then swept non-conference foe Mt. St. Joseph, 7-6 and 8-7 ... Freshman catcher **Sara Gaines (Lexington, KY/Dunbar)** batted .444 (4-for-9) with a double and her first career home run, but it wasn't enough for **OBERLIN** to outlast Allegheny and Kenyon. The Yeowomen fell to the Gators, 14-1 and 7-0, and the Ladies, 9-1 and 7-2 ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** split with Kenyon, winning 10-2 in game one before falling, 11-4 in game 2. The Battling Bishops then defeated Allegheny in both ends of a doubleheader, 8-4 and 10-2. Sophomore outfielder **Tara VanVranken (North Canton, OH/Massillon Jackson)** finished the week batting 5-for-11 (.455) with a double, a home run and six runs batted in. Junior lefthander **Rachel Seibel (Johnstown, OH/Johnstown-Monroe)** went 3-0 with eight strikeouts and four walks in 19.0 innings ... **WITTENBERG** senior **Rachael Hatcher (West Carrollton, OH/West Carrollton)** broke the Tiger school record for career wins on the mound with a 3-1 defeat of Hiram. That win gave her 44 for her career and gave her sole possession of the record. She upped that mark later in the week, claiming the victory in a 4-0 defeat of Transylvania. Freshman shortstop **Jessica Snyder (Northfield, IL/New Trier)** hit 5-for-17 (.294) with three runs scored and three more driven in ... **WOOSTER** had a busy week but was not able to win once. Sophomore catcher **Lauren Sargi (Lyndhurst, OH/Brush)** went 4-for-15 (.267) with two doubles. All four of her hits came in conference games. The Fighting Scots fell to Hiram, 3-1 and 8-2, then to Denison, 5-1 and 8-0. Junior righthander **Andrea Kelley (Westerville, OH/South)** gave up five earned runs in 13 innings with seven strikeouts.

MEN'S TENNIS REPORT

North Coast conference teams take a break from conference play this week. Seven squads will compete at the Great Lakes Colleges Association Tournament, to be hosted by Wabash. Denison (3-0, 8-2), Earlham (0-2, 2-8), Kenyon (0-0, 8-7), Oberlin (0-2, 0-14), Ohio Wesleyan (0-2, 8-6), Wabash (2-1, 7-11), Wittenberg (1-1, 11-5) and Wooster (10-2, 2-0) will participate. The event will be held on Saturday and Sunday.

Before the GLCA tournament, Denison will host Case and Earlham will host Manchester, both on Tuesday. The next day, Wittenberg travels to Transylvania and Wooster welcomes John Carroll. Allegheny (1-1, 8-7) is idle.

Notes: **ALLEGHENY** split a pair of NCAC matches and lost a non-conference match to Grove City, 6-3 last week. The Gators topped Oberlin, 9-0, before falling to Wooster, 5-4. **Matt Chiricosta (Avon Lake, OH/St. Ignatius)** went 3-0 at No. 1 singles, and went 3-0 at No. 1 doubles with **Ben Hurtuk (Chagrin Falls, OH/Chagrin Falls)** ... **DENISON** extended its win streak to seven with a 9-0 defeat of Wittenberg. The Big Red stand 19th in the latest ITA Division III national rankings ... **EARLHAM** went 2-1 in non-conference action last week, claiming wins over Central State, 9-0, and Miami-Hamilton, 9-0, and losing to Calvin, 9-0 ... The No. 9 ranked **KENYON** team defeated No. 10 Gustavus Adolphus, 5-4, then fell to No. 2 Washington, 7-2, last week. Sophomore **Jeremy Polster (Shaker Hts., OH/Shaker Hts.)** won both of his singles matches, and went 1-1 at No. 3 doubles with partner **Tomas Piskacek (Sestajovice, Czech./Gymnazium Spitalska)** ... **OBERLIN** fell to both Wooster and Allegheny by a 9-0 score ... In its only action last week, **OHIO WESLEYAN** defeated Capital, 8-1 ... A tiebreaker at No. 2 doubles proved to be the difference maker in a 5-4 loss by **WABASH** to Wittenberg. Senior **Jay Horrey (New Albany, IN/New Albany)** was a double winner against the Tigers ... **WITTENBERG** went 2-2 last week. **Derek de Rie (Breukeler, The Netherlands/RSG Brokledede)** and **Stephane Antwi (Rosedale, NY/Monsignor McClancy Memorial)** each posted two singles wins and two doubles victories ... Freshman **Matt Hoch (Moon Twp., PA/Sewickley Academy)** was a double winner in both of **WOOSTER'S** NCAC victories last week. The Fighting Scots upended Oberlin, 9-0 and Allegheny, 5-4.

WOMEN'S TENNIS REPORT

Three North Coast matches are scheduled for the coming week, beginning tomorrow when Oberlin (0-0, 10-9) travels to Wooster (0-1, 3-9). Thursday, the Battling Bishops entertain Earlham (0-1, 3-3), then Saturday, the Yeowomen welcome Allegheny (1-0, 9-6). Kenyon (0-0, 5-6) visits Ohio Wesleyan (0-1, 7-5) on tomorrow and then the Ladies take on Denison (3-0, 7-6) in Granville - both matches are non-divisional.

The remainder of the schedule involves non-conference action. Earlham hosts Manchester tomorrow, Wittenberg (0-1, 10-4) travels to Transylvania Wednesday. Thursday features the Ladies at Ohio Northern and Clarion visiting the Gators.

Notes: ALLEGHENY avenged a loss earlier this season by sweeping Grove City, 9-0, in the team's only action last week ... The ninth-ranked **DENISON** squad lost to No. 5 Chicago, 5-2, in the championship match of the Midwest Invitational in Madison, WI. To reach the championship for the second straight year, the Big Red defeated No. 21 Wheaton, 5-4, and No. 17 Gustavus Adolphus, 5-3. Against Wheaton, the top two players in the Central region faced off. Denison's **Meghan Damico (Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel)** topped Wheaton's Jordan Hook after she was forced to retire due to cramping in the third set. Denison also defeated Wittenberg last week, 7-2 ... **EARLHAM** picked up two non-conference victories last week, topping Central State in a rain-shortened match, 6-1, and Miami-Hamilton, 9-0 ... **KENYON** defeated Albion, 6-2, and Kalamazoo, 5-2, in the first two rounds of the GLCA tournament before the Ladies fell, 6-0 to Hope. Junior **Eva Ceja (Lubbock, TX/Lubbock)** went 2-0 at No. 4 singles and 2-1 at No. 2 doubles with partner **Molly Yost (Centennial, CO/Smoky Hill)** ... **OBERLIN** went 0-3 at the GLCA tournament, losing to Hope, 5-1, Albion, 5-4, and Kalamazoo, 7-1. Senior **Kelly Sipp (Wadsworth, OH/Wadsworth)** was a double winner against Albion as she won at No. 3 singles and No. 2 doubles ... **WITTENBERG** swept Capital, 9-0, and lost to Denison, 7-2, last week. Freshman **Alex Cummins (New Lebanon, OH/Dixie)** went 2-0 in singles play, including a 3-6, 7-6, 1-0 (10-9) win at No. 6 against the Big Red ... **WOOSTER** topped Malone, 6-3, and fell to Case, 5-3, and Tiffin, 6-3, last week. Freshman **Boo Flynn (Holliston, MA/Holliston)** won all three of her singles matches at No. 6. She also went 2-0 at No. 3 doubles.

OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD REPORT

In the coming week, Hiram and Wooster travel to the Oberlin Invitational Friday night. The next day, the Fighting Scots and Yeomen join Denison, Kenyon, Ohio Wesleyan and Wittenberg at the All-Ohio Division III Championships, hosted by the Battling Bishops. Earlham and Wabash compete in the Indiana Little State meet, hosted by Indiana Wesleyan, the same day. Allegheny competes at the Bucknell Invitational on Saturday.

Women's Notes: ALLEGHENY placed 10th of 14 teams at the Marv Frye Invitational. Sophomore **Beth Muller (Canton, MA/Canton)** wound up third in the 100 meters with a time of 12.80 seconds and was fifth in the 200 meters in 26.54 ... **DENISON** placed 10th at the 13-team Washington & Jefferson Invitational. Freshman **Alesha Stewart (Houman, LA/Louisiana School for Math, Science & Art)** was third in the 100 meters in 13.19 seconds. Sophomore **Ashley Putnam (North East, PA/North East)** finished fourth in the 800 meters with a 2:25.16 clocking ... At the Anderson Invitational, **EARLHAM** sophomore **Starr Gary (Indianapolis, IN/Northwest)** won both the 100 meters (12.72 seconds) and the 200 meters (26.32), and anchored the 1600-meter relay that was third in 4:21.15. Freshman **Elizabeth Ross (Davie, FL/Pine Crest)** broke her own school record in the high jump (set one week ago) when she cleared 5 feet, 2.5 inches to win the event ... **KENYON** freshman **Kat Dougherty (Chevy Chase, MD/National Cathedral)** was fifth in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (12:45.52), leading the Ladies to a 13th-place team finish at the Marv Frye Invitational ... Junior **Madeline Shultz (Concord, MA/Concord Carlisle)** won the high jump and 400-meter hurdles at the Marv Frye Invitational. She cleared 5 feet, 1.25 inches in the high jump and finished the 400 hurdles in 1:05.27, leading **OBERLIN** to a third-place team finish ... Battling Bishop freshman **Chelsea Imm (Glandorf, OH/Ottawa-Glandorf)** won the pole vault (meet-record 10 feet, 4 inches) and sophomore **Kat Zimmerly (Edinboro, PA/General McLane)** finished first in the 5,000 meters with a time of 18:24.59. **OHIO WESLEYAN** placed fifth of 14 teams at their own Marv Frye Invitational ... **WITTENBERG** freshman **Eviann van de Zande (Zierikzee, The Netherlands)** tied for second in the high jump at the DePauw Invitational. It was her best effort of 2009. **Catherine Kuerbitz (Cleveland, OH/Regina)** finished second in the 400 meters with a time of 1:00.26 ... At Marietta's Don Frail Invitational, **WOOSTER** sophomore **Suzanne Capehart (Herndon, VA/Oakton)** was third in the 5,000 meters with a time of 19:22.70. The Fighting Scots finished seventh in the 16-team field.

Men's Notes: ALLEGHENY senior **Joe McMahon (Pittsburgh, PA/Baldwin)** won the triple jump with a leap of 46 feet, 4.25 inches at the Marv Frye Invitational. He was third in the long jump (20 feet, 8.5 inches) and seventh in the 100 meters (11.20 seconds). The Gators placed fifth of 14 teams ... **DENISON** placed fifth of 13 teams at the Washington & Jefferson Invitational. Freshman **Dee Salukombo (Lakewood, OH/Lakewood)** won the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a meet-record time of 9:37.30 ... **EARLHAM** was fourth in the six-team Anderson Invitational. Junior **Chris Shaw (Anderson, IN/Pendleton Hts.)** won the discus (157-4), sophomore **Austin Manahan (Orlando, FL/University)** took first in the triple jump (43-1.5) and freshman **Jacob Naegeli (Trout Creek, MT/Thompson Falls)** outpaced the field in the 3,000 meters with a time of 10:00.43 ... **HIRAM'S Jay Burke** was 10th in the long jump (5.26 meters/17 feet, 3.25 inches) at the Malone Invitational ... Senior **Jim Boston (Brookfield, WI/Marquette)** paced **KENYON** at the Marv Frye Invitational. Boston posted the Lords' highest individual finish with a third-place standing in the 1,500 meters. He

crossed in 4:08.13 as Kenyon placed 13th in the team standings ... **OBERLIN** senior **Ryan King (Glastonbury, CT/Glastonbury)** won the 1500 meters at the Marv Frye Invitational with a time of 4:06.71. Freshman **Stephen Williams (Cordova, TN/St. George's Independent)** took the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 9:50.08. The Yeomen finished third as a team ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** won the 14-team Marv Frye Invitational. Senior **David Stefanik (Wooster, OH/Wooster)** won the 5,000 meters in 15:25.07. Junior **Steve Brown (Redford Twp., MI/Redford)** finished second in the 110-meter hurdles in an NCAA provisional qualifying time of 14.83 seconds. He also ran a leg on the first-place 400-meter relay that crossed the line in 42.54 seconds. Junior **David Burke (Hudson, OH/Hudson)** wound up second in the long jump, third in the triple jump and fourth in the high jump ... **WABASH** finished fourth of 11 teams at the DePauw Outdoor Invitational without an individual champion. Junior **Emmanuel Aoud (Terre Haute, IN/North)** was second in the long jump (6.70 meters/21 feet, 11.75 inches), third in the 110-meter hurdles (15.14) and fifth in the 400-meter hurdles (56.00) ... **Nic Radel (Columbus, OH/Grandview Hts.)** and **Mat Guida (LaGrange, KY/Oldham County)** posted fifth-place finishes to lead **WITTENBERG** at the DePauw Invitational. Radel was fifth in the shot put (12.95 meters/42 feet, 6 inches) while Guida took fifth in the hammer (45.98 meters/150 feet, 10 inches) ... Junior **Eric Dyer (Lexington, MA/Lexington)** won the triple jump at the Marietta Don Frail Invitational with a leap of 44 feet, 2.5 inches. He lead **WOOSTER** to a sixth of 15 team finish. His effort was nearly three feet ahead of the next closest competitor. Dyer was second in the long jump (21 feet, 2 inches).

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NCAC Baseball Standings (as of April 6, 2009)

NCAC East	NCAC				Overall			
	W	L	T	Pct	W	L	T	Pct
1. Wooster.....	12	0	0	1.000	24	4	0	.857
Kenyon.....	8	0	0	1.000	17	11	0	.607
3. Allegheny.....	2	4	0	.333	10	12	0	.455
4. Oberlin.....	0	8	0	.000	7	19	0	.269
Hiram.....	0	10	0	.000	1	20	0	.048

NCAC West	NCAC				Overall			
	W	L	T	Pct	W	L	T	Pct
1. Denison.....	6	0	0	1.000	15	9	0	.625
2. Ohio Wesleyan.....	5	3	0	.625	14	11	0	.560
3. Wabash.....	3	3	0	.500	8	12	0	.400
4. Wittenberg.....	4	6	0	.400	10	13	0	.435
5. Earlham.....	2	8	0	.200	8	15	0	.348

NCAC Men's Lacrosse Standings (as of April 6, 2009)

STANDINGS	NCAC						OVERALL					
	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
1. Denison.....	3	0	0	1.000	37	20	6	1	0	.857	100	46
Kenyon.....	1	0	0	1.000	7	5	5	3	0	.625	99	66
3. Ohio Wesleyan.....	1	1	0	.500	33	20	5	4	0	.556	128	69
4. Wooster.....	0	1	0	.000	7	8	4	4	0	.500	80	71
Oberlin.....	0	1	0	.000	3	24	1	5	0	.167	53	94
Wittenberg.....	0	2	0	.000	9	19	5	3	0	.625	82	67

NCAC Women's Lacrosse Standings (as of April 6, 2009)

STANDINGS	NCAC						OVERALL					
	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
1. Wooster.....	2	0	0	1.000	33	22	5	3	0	.625	97	79
Wittenberg.....	1	0	0	1.000	14	13	4	2	0	.667	66	61
3. Kenyon.....	1	1	0	.500	23	23	7	2	0	.778	111	91
Ohio Wesleyan.....	1	1	0	.500	30	30	5	4	0	.556	130	129
Allegheny.....	1	1	0	.500	39	27	4	4	0	.500	128	105
6. Denison.....	0	1	0	.000	8	9	3	4	0	.429	80	67
Oberlin.....	0	2	0	.000	18	41	0	7	0	.000	72	136

NCAC Softball Standings (as of April 6, 2009)

Team	NCAC				Overall			
	W	L	T	Pct	W	L	T	Pct
1. Denison.....	4	0	0	1.000	12	11	0	.522
2. Ohio Wesleyan.....	3	1	0	.750	16	7	1	.688
Hiram.....	3	1	0	.750	16	8	0	.667
Kenyon.....	3	1	0	.750	14	8	0	.636
5. Allegheny.....	2	2	0	.500	12	10	0	.545
6. Wittenberg.....	1	3	0	.250	9	17	0	.346
7. Oberlin.....	0	4	0	.000	4	12	0	.250
Wooster.....	0	4	0	.000	2	24	0	.077

NCAC Men's Tennis Standings (as of April 6, 2009)

EAST	NCAC			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Wooster	2	0	1.000	10	2	.833
Allegheny	1	1	.500	8	7	.533
Kenyon	0	0	.000	8	7	.533
Oberlin	0	2	.000	0	14	.000

WEST	NCAC			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Denison	3	0	1.000	8	2	.800
Wabash	2	1	.667	7	11	.389
Wittenberg	1	1	.500	11	5	.686
Ohio Wesleyan	0	2	.000	8	6	.571
Earlham	0	2	.000	2	8	.200

NCAC Women's Tennis Standings (as of April 6, 2009)

EAST	NCAC			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Allegheny	1	0	1.000	9	6	.600
Oberlin	0	0	.000	10	9	.526
Kenyon	0	0	.000	5	6	.455
Wooster	0	1	.000	3	9	.250

WEST	NCAC			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Denison	3	0	1.000	7	6	.538
Wittenberg	0	1	.000	10	4	.714
Ohio Wesleyan	0	1	.000	7	5	.583
Earlham	0	1	.000	3	3	.500