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### NCAC Football Report

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### **CONFERENCE UNBEATENS WABASH AND WOOSTER TO MEET IN CRAWFORDSVILLE; TWO OTHER CONFERENCE GAMES ON TAP: KENYON AT ALLEGHENY, EARLHAM AT OBERLIN**

October 18, 2008

**CLEVELAND** -- The two remaining unbeaten NCAC teams face off in the coming week as Wabash (4-0, 6-0) hosts Wooster (3-0, 5-1) in a key matchup in the determination of the 2008 North Coast Athletic Conference championship. Last week, the Little Giants came from behind to upend previously unbeaten Wittenberg (3-1, 4-2), 13-10, with a last-second field goal. Wooster is coming off a 38-13 victory over UAA foe Washington.

Fourth-ranked (by the AFCA) Wabash aims to extend its conference win streak to 15 games, while the Fighting Scots are working for a shot at their first conference crown since 2004. In the 2007 meeting between the schools, Wabash came away with a 21-10 decision in Wooster, its third straight victory in the series. Overall, Wabash holds a 10-2 advantage, 6-2 since the Little Giants joined the league in 2000. The Fighting Scots claimed wins over Wabash in the 2003 and 2004 campaigns.

Other conference games feature 10th-place Kenyon (0-4, 1-6) at sixth-place (tie) Allegheny (1-2, 2-4) and sixth-place (tie) Earlham (1-2, 1-5) at fourth-place Oberlin (2-1, 2-4). Last week, the Yeowmen used a late rally to defeat the Lords, 31-28, while the Gators fell to Denison (2-2, 3-2), 13-10, for the first time since 1986, snapping a 19-game victory streak by Allegheny over the Big Red. Earlham claimed its first win of 2008 when they defeated Hiram (1-3, 2-4), in a high-scoring battle, 49-41.

The remainder of the schedule involves competition between NCAC and UAA teams. Chicago (2-3) visits Denison, Case (6-0) travels to Hiram, and Ohio Wesleyan (1-3, 1-5) heads to Washington in St. Louis (3-3).

**Grid Notebook:** **ALLEGHENY** dropped a 13-10 decision to Denison last week, its first loss to the Big Red after 19 straight victories. The Gator defense was led by linebacker **Aaron Walter (Coopersburg, PA/Southern Lehigh)**, who posted a game-high 12 tackles. Allegheny held the Big Red to 295 yards of offense, 100 yards below their season average, and to their second-lowest point output of the year. Freshman kicker **Ryan Zipf (Cranberry Twp., PA/Seneca Valley)** kicked the third-longest field goal in school history when he booted a 47-yard shot in the third quarter ... A fourth-quarter touchdown by senior **Jon Berg (Washington, PA/Trinity)** proved to be the difference in **DENISON'S** 13-10 defeat of Allegheny. It was the Big Red's first victory over the Gators since 1986, a streak of 19 in a row. Berg finished with a season-high 145 yards on 24 carries, including the game-winning, one-yard plunge with 10 minutes to go. It was his sixth career 100-yard rushing game, and he surpassed the 2,000-yard career rushing mark during the first quarter. The Denison defense was led by junior safety **Drew Homyk (Chicago, IL/St. Ignatius Prep)**, who made 11 stops, forced a fumble and made two critical pass break-ups ... **EARLHAM** led from the start as it defeated Hiram, 49-41, for the Quakers' first victory of 2008. Senior quarterback **Randy Kerns (West Manchester, IN/National Trail)** had a career day with 20-of-28 passing for 306 yards and six touchdowns. It was the second-best passing day of his career – he rolled up 422 yards passing in this year's opener against Rose-Hulman. Senior running back **Ben Marschand (Galveston, IN/Lewis Cass)** also had one of the finest games of his career with 147 yards on 25 carries and one TD. In addition, Marschand caught five passes for another 53 yards to finish with 200 yards of offense. Junior **Cale Gulliford (Marion, IN/Marion)** led the Earlham defense with 12 tackles ... Senior quarterback **Trevor Henderson (Rural Valley, PA/West Shamokin)** had a respectable day for **HIRAM**, completing 34 of 46 passes for 306 yards and three touchdowns. Sophomore wide receiver **Glenn Campbell (Copley, OH/Buchtel)** caught 13 passes for 128 yards, and completed one pass for a 27-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter. Sophomore wideout **Kyle Milano (Medina, OH/Brunswick)** caught five passes for 103 yards and a score ... A touchdown with 13 seconds left proved to be the difference and lifted Oberlin over **KENYON**, 31-28. Lord junior quarterback **Mike Hermanson (Chagrin Falls, OH/Chagrin Falls)** completed 14-of-19 passes for 185 yards and two TDs, and carried the ball 16 times for 111 yards and another score. **Mason Stabler (Littleton, CO/Kent Denver School)** led the Lord defense with 11 stops and a forced fumble that ended a Yeoman drive late in the third quarter ... Junior **Wayne Mundekis (Springdale, PA/Springfield)** capped **OBERLIN'S** fourth-quarter comeback with a one-yard run with 13 seconds remaining to lift the Yeomen over Kenyon, 31-28. Senior receiver **Mike Loll (Davison, MI/Davison)** had career highs with 11 receptions and 128 yards. Senior quarterback **Greg Mangan (San Francisco, CA/St. Ignatius)** orchestrated Oberlin's 14-point, fourth quarter comeback from an 11-point deficit. He finished with 27-of-36 passing for 251 yards, two touchdowns, and a two-point conversion to Loll. Sophomore linebacker **Ron Rupard (Waynesfield, OH/Waynesfield-Goshen)** recorded a career-best 14 stops, with 1.5 for a loss. Rupard made the biggest stop of the game, one that ended Kenyon's last threat before the Yeomen's game-winning drive. With the Lords going for it on fourth and 2 from the Oberlin 48, he broke up the play in the backfield with a tackle for no gain ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** fell to Case, 35-7, as sophomore **Pete Merkle (Loveland, OH/Loveland)**, freshman **Eli Cowan (Galena, OH/Columbus DeSales)** and senior **Tommy Saunders (Gallipolis, OH/Gallia Academy)** each shared the team lead with nine stops ... Sophomore kicker

## NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2008 FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

\* conference games

### Allegheny College (1-2; 2-4)

S. 6	at Juniata	W, 34-18
S. 13	at Westminster	L, 2-6
S. 27	OBERLIN*	W, 24-13
O. 4	at Wabash*	L, 7-48
O. 11	CARNEGIE MELLON	L, 14-41
O. 18	at Denison*	L, 10-13
O. 25	KENYON*	1:00
N. 1	at Wooster*	1:00
N. 8	WITTENBERG*	1:00
N. 15	OHIO WESLEYAN*	1:00

### Denison University (2-2; 3-3)

S. 6	at Kalamazoo	W, 49-27
S. 13	WABASH*	L, 27-41
S. 27	WOOSTER*	L, 21-10
O. 4	at Case	L, 14-45
O. 11	at Hiram*	W, 31-13
O. 18	ALLEGHENY*	W, 13-10
O. 25	CHICAGO	1:00
N. 1	at Wittenberg*	1:00
N. 8	KENYON*	1:00
N. 15	at Earlham*	1:00

### Earlham College (1-2; 1-5)

S. 6	at Rose-Hulman	L, 42-35
S. 13	at Manchester	L, 7-40
S. 20	ANDERSON	L, 14-47
O. 4	at Wooster*	L, 14-16
O. 11	at Wittenberg*	L, 13-45
O. 18	HIRAM*	W, 49-41
O. 25	at Oberlin*	1:00
N. 1	at Kenyon*	1:00
N. 8	OHIO WESLEYAN*	1:00
N. 15	DENISON*	1:00

### Hiram College (1-3; 2-4)

S. 6	at Gallaudet	W, 20-14 ot
S. 20	at Kenyon*	W, 45-39 ot
S. 27	at Carnegie Mellon	L, 6-41
O. 4	WITTENBERG*	L, 7-44
O. 11	DENISON*	L, 13-31
O. 18	at Earlham*	L, 41-49
O. 25	CASE WEST. RESERVE	1:00
N. 1	at Ohio Wesleyan*	1:00
N. 8	WABASH*	1:00
N. 15	OBERLIN*	1:00

### Kenyon College (0-4; 1-6)

S. 6	CASE WEST. RES.	L, 27-62
S. 13	at Chicago	W, 39-36
S. 20	HIRAM*	L, 39-45 ot
S. 27	WABASH*	L, 13-55
O. 4	at Carnegie Mellon	L, 12-23
O. 11	at Ohio Wesleyan*	L, 8-24
O. 18	OBERLIN*	L, 28-31
O. 25	at Allegheny*	1:00
N. 1	EARLHAM*	1:00
N. 8	at Denison*	1:00

### Oberlin College (2-1; 2-4)

S. 6	WASH. & JEFF.	L, 35-49
S. 20	CASE WEST. RES.	L, 21-48
S. 27	at Allegheny*	L, 13-24
O. 4	OHIO WESLEYAN*	W, 28-15
O. 11	at Chicago	L, 7-33
O. 18	at Kenyon*	W, 31-28
O. 25	EARLHAM*	1:00
N. 1	at Wabash*	1:00
N. 8	WOOSTER*	1:00
N. 15	at Hiram*	1:00

### Ohio Wesleyan University (1-3; 1-5)

S. 6	CARNEGIE MELLON	L, 7-35
S. 20	at Wooster*	L, 2-20
S. 27	WITTENBERG*	L, 0-32
O. 4	at Oberlin*	L, 15-28
O. 11	KENYON*	W, 24-8
O. 18	CASE	L, 7-35
O. 25	at Washington (Mo.)	1:00
N. 1	HIRAM*	1:00
N. 8	at Earlham*	1:00
N. 15	at Allegheny*	1:00

### Wabash College (4-0; 6-0)

S. 13	at Denison*	W, 41-27
S. 20	CHICAGO	W, 49-7
S. 27	at Kenyon*	W, 55-13
O. 5	ALLEGHENY*	W, 48-7
O. 11	at Washington	W, 37-12
O. 18	at Wittenberg*	W, 13-10
O. 25	WOOSTER*	1:00
N. 1	OBERLIN*	1:00
N. 8	at Hiram*	1:00
N. 15	DePAUW	1:05

### Wittenberg University (3-1; 4-2)

S. 6	OLIVET	W, 22-10
S. 20	WASHINGTON (Mo.)	L, 27-30
S. 27	at Ohio Wesleyan*	W, 32-0
O. 4	at Hiram*	W, 44-7
O. 11	EARLHAM*	W, 45-13
O. 18	WABASH*	L, 10-13
O. 25	at Carnegie Mellon	2:00
N. 1	DENISON*	1:00
N. 8	at Allegheny*	1:00
N. 15	at Wooster*	1:00

### College of Wooster (3-0; 5-1)

S. 6	at Waynesburg	W, 27-6
S. 20	OHIO WESLEYAN*	W, 20-2
S. 27	at Denison*	W, 21-10
O. 4	EARLHAM*	W, 16-14
O. 11	at Case	L, 7-28
O. 18	WASHINGTON (Mo.)	W, 38-13
O. 25	at Wabash*	1:00
N. 1	ALLEGHENY*	1:00
N. 8	at Oberlin*	1:00
N. 15	WITTENBERG*	1:00

**Spencer Whitehead (Bloomington, IN/South)** drilled a 41-yard field goal with four seconds left to lift **WABASH** over Wittenberg, 13-10. It was the Little Giants' only lead of the game. The game was dominated by the defenses as Wabash held the Tigers to 184 yards of total offense, and Wittenberg forced five Little Giant turnovers. Whitehead's field goal was the longest of his career. He also made his only extra-point attempt, averaged 58.5 yards on four kickoffs with one touchback, and averaged 34.5 yards on a pair of punts. Senior defensive end **Jared Lange (Terre Haute, IN/North)** made seven total tackles, 3.5 for losses, two sacks and a forced fumble ... **WITTENBERG** put on a fine defensive performance despite losing to Wabash. **Brad McKinley (Hilliard, OH/Davidson)** had a career day with 12 tackles, a sack and an interception to lead a Tiger defense that forced five turnovers ... Junior quarterback **Austin Holter (Johnstown, OH/Johnstown-Monroe)** led **WOOSTER** to a 38-13 decision over Washington of St. Louis. He passed for a career-best 327 yards, leading the Fighting Scots to a season high 489 yards of total offense. Holter finished with 393 yards of offense himself as he also ran for a team-high 66 yards. Junior outside linebacker **Matt DeGrand (Stow, OH/St. Vincent-St. Mary)**

posted a team-best 11 stops, with five solo.



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### NCAC Fall Sports Update

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

### **CROSS COUNTRY REPORT -- REGULAR SEASON NEARLY COMPLETE AS TEAMS PREPARE FOR 25TH NCAC CHAMPIONSHIP**

The 25<sup>th</sup> North Coast Athletic Conference Men's & Women's Cross Country Championship is set to be held on the campus of Oberlin College on November 1. The regular season competition is complete with the exception of the annual Wooster Relays. The Fighting Scots host the meet on Wednesday, and Hiram will be part of the field. Once that contest is complete, all North Coast squads will be idle from competition to prepare for the conference meet.

Both Allegheny's men's and women's squads are the defending champions, and in the coaches' preseason poll, the Gators were predicted to successfully defend both titles. Allegheny has seven NCAC titles all-time to lead all men's teams, including a current string of four in a row. The Gators also have the most women's crowns, with 11 in 24 seasons.

On November 1, the women's six-kilometer race starts at 11 a.m., to be followed by the men's eight-kilometer championship at 11:45.

**Women's Notes:** Last week, Oberlin hosted the Inter-Regional Rumble. **KENYON** was the top North Coast squad in the 27-team meet, winding up in fifth place. Freshman **Morgan O'Connor (San Francisco, CA/San Francisco University)** paced the Ladies with a 20th place individual finish. She finished the 6K race in 22:33. Host **OBERLIN** finished right behind Kenyon in sixth place and claimed the individual champion in sophomore **Joanna Johnson (Chico, CA/Chico)**. Johnson outran the entire 201-runner field with a sizzling time of 21:03 and remained undefeated this season. In this meet, she outdistanced the second-place finisher by 22 seconds. The next conference team in the standings was **ALLEGHENY** in 13th. Gator junior **Mia Symoniak (East Snyder, NY/Amherst)** was 21st, four seconds behind the Ladies' O'Connor, with a time 22:37. **WOOSTER** followed with a 19th-place team finish, and **HIRAM** was 26th. The Fighting Scots top individual was sophomore **Suzanne Capehart (Herndon, VA/Oakton)** in 58th with a time of 23:21, while the Terriers' leader was sophomore **Margaret Pokryfki (Shaker Hts., OH/Beaumont)** in 84th (23:48) ... **EARLHAM** competed at the Manchester Invitational and wound up ninth in the 13-team field. Senior **Michelle Crane (Mansfield, OH/St. Peter's)** paced the Quakers in fourth place, completing the 6K course in 23:32 ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** finished 12th of 30 teams at the Wisconsin-Oshkosh Brooks Invitational. Sophomore **Kat Zimmerly (Edinboro, PA/General McLane)** finished 43rd among individuals with a time of 22:55 for 6,000 meters ... **DENISON** and **WITTENBERG** participated in the Wilmington Invitational. The Big Red were led by sophomore **Katie Navarre's (Upper Arlington, OH/Upper Arlington)** individual victory in the 210-runner field. Navarre completed the five-kilometer course in 18:23.14 as Denison finished fifth in the team standings. The Tigers were paced by **Anna Henry (Chagrin Falls, OH/Kenston)** in fourth place. She completed the race in 19:15 as Wittenberg wound up second in the 24-team field.

**Men's notes:** At the Inter-Regional Rumble, hosted by Oberlin, **ALLEGHENY** was the top team to finish. The Gators were fifth of 30 teams as junior **Tony Dipre (Twinsburg, OH/Walsh Jesuit)** was the top North Coast runner in fourth place. He completed the 8K course in 24:53. **KENYON** was the next NCAC team with a seventh-place team finish. Senior **Jim Boston (Brookfield, WI/Marquette)** led the Lords in 12th place individually with a time of 25:12. **WABASH** was ninth, followed immediately by host **OBERLIN** in 10th. The Little Giants' top individual was sophomore **Seth Einterz (Zionsville, IN/Zionsville)** in 28th with a time of 25:36, the top time by a Wabash runner this season. The Yeomen were paced by senior **Conor Doss (Albuquerque, NM/Albuquerque Academy)** in 38th (25:45) as all five of Oberlin's scorers finished within 50 seconds of one another. **WOOSTER** junior **Terry Workman (Hillsboro, OH/Greenfield)** was right behind Doss in 39<sup>th</sup> place, also with a 25:45 clocking, leading the Fighting Scots to a 19th-place team finish. **HIRAM** was 27th in the team standings as freshman **Zachary Eshelman (Corona, AZ/Cienega)** place 133rd among 271 runners in 27:13 ... **DENISON** won the Wilmington Fall Classic as the 28th ranked Big Red claimed their first team title of 2008. Freshman **Dee Salukumbo (Lakewood, OH/Lakewood)** was second individually with a time of 24:59.49 over 8K. **Kevin Frick (Columbus, OH/Grandview)** paced **WITTENBERG** at Wilmington, crossing the line in 26:12. Frick led the Tigers to a seventh-of-23-teams finish ... **EARLHAM** wound up seventh of 14 teams at the Manchester Invitational. Freshman **Jacob Naegeli (Trout Creek, MT/Thompson Falls)** paced the Quakers with a 24th-place finish. He completed the 8K course in 27:11 ... Senior **David Stefanik (Wooster, OH/Wooster)** led **OHIO WESLEYAN** to a 19th-of-32 team finish at the Wisconsin-Oshkosh Brooks Invitational. He completed the 8K course in 25:57 to finish 87th individually.

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**FIELD HOCKEY REPORT -- WOOSTER, OHIO WESLEYAN TIED FOR FIRST PLACE**

With two weeks remaining in the regular season, two teams are tied at the top of the standings. Ohio Wesleyan (7-1, 10-4) and Wooster (7-1, 10-4) each put their records on the line twice in the coming week. The Battling Bishops host third-place Kenyon (5-2, 6-8) Wednesday, then welcome fifth-place (tie) Denison (2-6, 3-11) Saturday. The Fighting Scots host the Big Red Wednesday afternoon, then travel to meet the other fifth-place team, Earlham (2-6, 5-8) in Richmond on Saturday.

Also this week, seventh-place Oberlin (0-9, 1-13) travels to meet the Quakers Wednesday, and fourth-place Wittenberg (6-4, 9-5) entertains the Ladies Saturday.

If both Ohio Wesleyan and Wooster hold on to their first-place tie, the teams will settle the score on Oct. 31 in the season finale for both squads. The Fighting Scots took the first meeting, 4-0, on Oct. 7, but then lost to Wittenberg last week, 4-2.

**Notes:** In its only action last week, **DENISON** lost to Wittenberg, 2-1, in overtime. **Lauren Keny (Bexley, OH/Columbus School for Girls)** scored the goal for the Big Red in the 56th minute ... **EARLHAM** defeated St. Vincent, 4-1, in non-conference play. Junior **Cassie Gage (West Carrollton, OH/Kettering Fairmont)** scored a hat trick in the Quakers' homecoming game, and now has seven goals and 17 points for the 5-8 Earlham squad ... **KENYON** dropped a pair of one-goal games last week, one in conference play, to fall to 6-8 overall. The Ladies lost to Washington & Lee, 3-2, on the last shot of the game, and dropped a 1-0 decision to Ohio Wesleyan on a successful penalty shot three minutes into the contest ... **Manya Lulek (Holliston, MA/Holliston)** made 14 saves in **OBERLIN'S** 5-0 loss to Wooster ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** won twice to up its record to 10-4. In a 4-1 defeat of Transylvania, freshman attacker **Abigail Walsh (Millville, MA/Blackstone-Millville)** scored a pair of second-half goals. Freshman midfielder **Alyse Marotta (Dublin, OH/Jerome)** scored the first goal against Transy, then accounted for the only scoring in a 1-0 decision over Kenyon, by converting a penalty stroke ... **WITTENBERG** has a five-game winning streak after defeating Denison (2-1 in overtime) and Wooster (4-2) last week. **Boo Vernon (Lake Bluff, IL/Cushing Academy)** scored a hat trick in the victory over the Fighting Scots. **Tori Casanta (Mason, OH/Cor Jesu Academy)** scored the fourth goal and has 23 in the year, three short of the school record ... **WOOSTER** defeated Oberlin, 5-0, before falling for the first time in conference play, 4-2 to Wittenberg. Junior forward **Amanda Artman (Shaker Hts., OH/Shaker Hts.)** scored three times and assisted on another. She became the sixth player in school history to reach the 100-point milestone. Artman enters the week with 101 points on 39 goals and 23 assists in 37 career games.

**GOLF REPORT -- FALL GOLF NEARS END**

Only one event remains on North Coast Athletic Conference fall golf schedules. Allegheny travels to the Muhlenberg Invitational on Oct. 19-20.

In the only action among North Coast schools last week, Ohio Wesleyan placed seventh of 12 teams at OWU's Gordin Collegiate Classic. The tournament, which annually matches teams from the previous year's NCAA Division III Championships, was won by Huntingdon (569). The Battling Bishops, who carded a 596, were led by junior **Tommy Harman (Perrysburg, OH/Perrysburg)**. Harman finished in a tie for 13th place with a two-round 147.

**MEN'S SOCCER REPORT -- OHIO WESLEYAN HOLDS SIX-POINT LEAD FOR FIRST PLACE IN NCAC**

Ohio Wesleyan (6-0-0, 18 points, 12-4-0) appears to be in the driver's seat with two weeks remaining in the regular season. The Battling Bishops have sole possession of first place, with a lead of six points and three games to play. OWU is tested once this week, when 10th-place Wabash (0-6-0, 0 points, 4-8-2) visits Delaware. The team with the most points accumulated in conference play at the end of the regular season earns the right to host home games throughout the North Coast Athletic Conference Tournament.

Wittenberg (4-1-0, 12 points, 13-1-0) and Kenyon (4-1-0, 12 points, 10-4-1) share second place heading into the week. The Tigers play twice on the road, first meeting ninth-place Earlham (1-4-0, 3 points, 9-6-0) Wednesday, then heading to eighth-place Denison (1-3-1, 4 points, 4-6-3) for a Saturday tilt. The Lords aim to keep pace by traveling to meet the Big Red mid-week, then returning home to host sixth-place Allegheny (2-2-1, 7 points, 4-8-2) on the weekend.

The rest of the Wednesday schedule includes seventh-place Oberlin (2-4-0, 6 points, 8-8-0) at the Gators and fourth-place (tie) Hiram (3-2-0, 9 points, 10-4-0) battling the team they are tied with, Wooster (3-3-0, 9 points, 6-7-1) on the Fighting Scots' home field. Rounding out the schedule the Terriers entertain ninth-place Earlham (1-4-0, 3 points, 9-6-0) Saturday.

**Notes:** **ALLEGHENY** split a pair of NCAC games on the road. The Gators defeated Earlham, 2-1, on a goal by **Jimmy Beyer (Pittsford, NY/Mendon)** in the 82nd minute. Allegheny started the week with a 2-0 loss to Hiram. Goalkeeper **Zane Miller (Canal Winchester, OH/The Wellington School)** made eight saves in the loss ... **DENISON** lost twice to fall to eighth place in the standings. The Big Red dropped a 2-1 decision to Earlham and a 4-2 loss to Oberlin. Sophomore **Len Mills (Pittsburgh, PA/Upper St. Clair)** scored all three of Denison's goals during the week ... Sophomore **Bannet Asingura (Mbar, Uganda/United World College)** scored both goals, including the game-winner with 88:46 left, to lift **EARLHAM** over Denison, 2-1. The Quakers also dropped a 2-1 decision to Allegheny, on a late goal. Asingura also scored the goal in the loss, and recorded all three Earlham goals unassisted during the week ... **HIRAM** had a big week and leapt into a tie for fourth place in the standings. The Terriers defeated Allegheny, 2-0, and Wabash, 3-0. Five different players scored the Hiram goals ... **KENYON** handed Wittenberg its first loss of the season with a 4-1 decision over the Tigers. Sophomore **Felix Hoffmann (Bergheim, Germany/Trinity-Pawling)** scored a pair of first-half goals in the game, including one on a penalty kick ... **OBERLIN** dropped a 1-0 overtime heartbreaker to Ohio Wesleyan, but bounced back to defeat

Denison, 4-2, to snap a three-game losing streak ... Sophomore back **Brian Greene (Beavercreek, OH/Beavercreek)** scored the overtime game-winner as **OHIO WESLEYAN** defeated Oberlin, 1-0, then again scored the game's only goal in a 1-0 regulation decision over Wooster ... **WABASH** had a tough week with as it was shut out twice in league play. The Little Giants lost to Wittenberg, 4-0, then three days later were felled by Hiram, 3-0 ... Four different players scored for **WITTENBERG** as the Tigers recorded their 13th straight victory, 4-0 over Wabash. The Tigers then suffered their first loss of the season, 4-1 to Kenyon. Wittenberg's 13-0 start is the best in school history ... Freshman goalkeeper **Taylor Takacs (Gibsonia, PA/Sewickley Academy)** made 10 saves in **WOOSTER'S** 1-0 loss to Ohio Wesleyan, the Fighting Scots' only action last week.

**WOMEN'S SOCCER REPORT -- OHIO WESLEYAN HOLDS ON TO FIRST PLACE**

With two weeks left in the regular season, first-place Ohio Wesleyan (4-0-1, 13 points, 9-4-2) holds a one-point edge in the standings. The top point-getter at the end of the regular season earns the right to host home games in both the semifinals and finals of the North Coast Athletic Conference Tournament. The Battling Bishops will be tested this week at home against non-conference foe Mt. St. Joseph Tuesday. OWU returns to conference play against rival Denison (4-0-0, 12 points, 11-2-1) Saturday, a game also scheduled to be played in Delaware. The Big Red, who are tied with Wittenberg (4-1-0, 12 points, 9-2-4) for second place, start the week with a mid-week game at fifth-place Kenyon (2-1-1, 7 points, 5-7-1).

Rounding out the Wednesday schedule, Allegheny (3-2-0, 9 points, 6-8-1) travels to take on eighth-place (tie) Hiram (0-5-0, 0 points, 3-10-1), sixth-place (tie) Earlham (1-3-0, 3 points, 9-5-0) heads to the Tigers' home field and the other sixth-place squad, Wooster (1-3-0, 3 points, 9-5-0), heads north to meet Oberlin (0-5-0, 0 points, 3-10-1)

On Saturday, Allegheny, Hiram and Kenyon host Wittenberg, Earlham and Wooster, respectively.

**Notes: Ashley Miller (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin)** scored the game-winning goal in **ALLEGHENY'S** a 1-0 decision over Earlham. She also recorded a goal in the Gators' 3-0 defeat of Oberlin ... **DENISON** won three times last week, twice in conference play. The 13th-ranked Big Red ran their win streak to seven after defeating Allegheny (1-0), Earlham (1-0) and Wisconsin-LaCrosse (3-1). Junior forward **Julie Dean (Liberty Twp., OH/Mt. Notre Dame)** assisted on three of the team's five goals during the week. Sophomore forward **Kim Oshita (Cincinnati, OH/Sycamore)** scored twice in the victory over LaCrosse ... **EARLHAM** lost a pair of 1-0 decisions in North Coast play, to Denison and Allegheny. Sophomore goalkeeper **Megan Holthaus (Harrison, OH/McAuley)** made nine saves on 24 shots against the Big Red, then made four saves on seven shots versus the Gators ... **HIRAM** fell to 5-9 overall, 0-4 in conference, with 4-1 losses to both Ohio Wesleyan and Kenyon ... Sophomore **Kelly Schloring (Charlottesville, VA/Western Albemarle)** scored in each of **KENYON'S** games last week. She scored the Ladies' lone goal in a 4-1 loss to Wittenberg, then added another in a 4-1 defeat of Hiram ... **Lori Sako (Seattle, WA/Roosevelt)** scored her first goal of the season for **OBERLIN** as the Yeowomen fell to Wittenberg, 3-1. Oberlin also dropped a 3-0 decision to Allegheny ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** upped its season mark to 9-4-2 overall, 4-0-1 in conference with a pair of NCAC wins. The Bishops defeated Hiram, 4-1, as freshman midfielder **Lindsey Patton (Worthington, OH/Thomas Worthington)** scored twice. OWU then edged Wooster, 1-0, and freshman midfielder **Jenny Howe (Newton, MA/South)** provided the game's only offense ... **WITTENBERG** won two times, both in conference, to improve to 4-1-0 in the NCAC, 9-2-4 overall. The Tigers defeated Kenyon, 4-1, and Oberlin, 3-1. Freshman **Taylor Goss (Sandy Spring, MD/Friends School)** scored once in each contest. **Suzanne Medwid (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** contributed a goal and an assist ... In their only action last week, **WOOSTER** dropped a 1-0 decision to Ohio Wesleyan.

**MEN'S TENNIS REPORT -- FALL TENNIS SEASON NEAR CONCLUSION**

Seventh-ranked Kenyon dropped a 5-4 decision to #15 Amherst. The match, which took nearly six hours to complete, was highlighted by a singles matchup between top ranked Lord junior **Michael Greenberg (Chapel Hill, NC/East Chapel Hill)** and No. 19 Zack Lerner of Amherst. Greenberg came away with a 6-2, 6-2 victory.

**VOLLEYBALL REPORT -- WITTENBERG MAINTAINS LEAD IN CONFERENCE STANDINGS**

All full schedule of conference matches lay ahead for North Coast Athletic Conference teams, as they enter the second-to-last week of the regular season. Leader Wittenberg (11-0, 24-2) travels to ninth-place Kenyon (0-9, 0-23) Tuesday night, then returns home to host second-place Allegheny (0-2, 13-12) Friday night and fourth-place Hiram (8-4, 14-15) the next day. Before meeting the Tigers, the Gators welcome third-place Wooster (8-3, 14-12) Tuesday night, and after the Friday night showdown with the defending champs, Allegheny heads to play eighth-place Earlham (1-9, 3-21) in Richmond on Saturday.

Other mid-week games are Earlham at seventh-place Denison (3-7, 6-16) Tuesday and Oberlin at fifth-place Ohio Wesleyan (5-6, 7-18) Wednesday. The remainder of the schedule is set for Friday evening and Saturday.

Friday night, Kenyon, Earlham and Oberlin welcome Denison, Hiram and Wooster. The following day, Denison entertains Ohio Wesleyan, Kenyon welcomes Wooster and Oberlin has a non-conference tri-match at John Carroll with Wilmington.

The 25th North Coast Athletic Conference Volleyball tournament is set for Nov. 7-8. The top seed after the completion of the regular season hosts both the semifinals on Friday and the championship match on Saturday. Wittenberg is the defending champion and has taken nine of the past 10 tournament titles.

**Notes:** **ALLEGHENY** won twice in NCAC play, defeating Kenyon (3-0) and Denison (3-1), and lost 3-0 to St. Vincent. Junior setter **Amanda Bancroft (Centerville, PA/Maplewood)** moved into fifth place on the Gators' all-time list with 2,793 career assists. She totaled 98 assists in Allegheny's 2-1 week ... **DENISON** lost to Hiram (3-0) and Allegheny (3-1). **Sara Mason (Lakewood, OH/Lakewood)** had nine kills against the Terriers and **Lauren Strowder (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.)** recorded 11 kills and four blocks against the Gators ... **EARLHAM** went 0-2 in the NCAC, losing to both Wooster and Oberlin in straight sets ... **HIRAM** went 2-1 overall, 2-0 in conference play. The Terriers knocked off Denison and Ohio Wesleyan by identical 3-0 scores, then fell to non-conference foe Mount Union, 3-1. Freshman setter **Taylor Summerfield (Warren, OH/Howland)** smashed 11 kills and put up 83 assists, with 21 digs during the week ... **KENYON** lost four times, including three times in conference. Freshman **Mary Myers (Lebanon, OH/Ursuline Academy)** totaled 35 kills, one ace and 36 digs in the four matches ... **OBERLIN** swept its two conference opponents, defeating both Kenyon and Earlham, 3-0, then losing to Wittenberg, also by a 3-0 count. **Anna Frackman (Madison, WI/West)** posted 13 kills and hit .414 against the Quakers. **Sara Blankenmeyer (Ottawa, OH/Glandorf)** hit .538 versus the Ladies. Frackman, a freshman outside hitter, totaled 35 kills and averaged 3.89 kills per set. She also had 13 digs, three service aces and a block. Oberlin has five victories in conference play, the most since the 1992 Yeowomen went 6-5 ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** lost to Wittenberg (3-0), Hiram (3-0) and Wilmington (3-1) and defeated Kenyon (3-0) to finish the week with a 5-6 conference mark, and a 7-18 record overall. Sophomore outside hitter **Sam Owen (Westerly, RI/The Prout School)** led the Battling Bishops with nine kills against the Tigers, 11 against the Ladies, seven against the Terriers and finished with nine against the Quakers ... **WITTENBERG** senior middle hitter **Jessica Kimble (Dennison, OH/Claymont)** tallied seven kills and three blocks in the Tigers' defeat of OWU. Wittenberg won four times in the week, three times in the North Coast, to improve to 11-0 in the conference, 24-2 overall ... **WOOSTER** upended Earlham, 3-0, then dropped a 3-0 decision to Wittenberg and a 3-1 match to Heidelberg. Freshman setter **Lizzi Beal (Bowling Green, KY/Greenwood)** totaled 71 assists for an average of 7.10 per set during the three matches. She also totaled 17 kills and 21 digs, highlighted by a triple double 10 kills, 29 assists and 10 digs against the Student Princes.



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### NCAC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK (OCT. 18)

#### WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Denison was led by sophomore **Katie Navarre's (Upper Arlington, OH/Upper Arlington)** individual victory in the 210-runner field at the Wilmington Invitational. Navarre completed the five-kilometer course in 18:23.14 as the Big Red finished fifth in the team standings.

#### MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Senior **David Stefanik (Wooster, OH/Wooster)** led Ohio Wesleyan to a 19th-of-32 team finish at the Wisconsin-Oshkosh Brooks Invitational. He completed the 8K course in 25:57 to finish 87th individually.

#### FIELD HOCKEY

Wittenberg sophomore forward **Boo Vernon (Lake Bluff, IL/Cushing Academy)** scored a hat trick in a 4-2 victory over Wooster. It was the Fighting Scots' first loss of the conference season, and the victory extended the Tigers' win streak to five.

#### FOOTBALL (OFFENSIVE)

Earlham senior quarterback **Randy Kerns (West Manchester, IN/National Trail)** had a career day with 20-of-28 passing for 306 yards and six touchdowns, leading the Quakers to their first victory of 2008, 49-41 over Hiram.

#### FOOTBALL (DEFENSIVE)

Wabash senior defensive end **Jared Lange (Terre Haute, IN/North)** made seven total tackles, 3.5 for losses, two sacks and a forced fumble in the Little Giants' 13-10 victory over Wittenberg. Wabash held the Tigers 184 yards of total offense, 65 of it on the ground.

#### MEN'S SOCCER

Sophomore back **Brian Greene (Beavercreek, OH/Beavercreek)** scored the overtime game-winner as Ohio Wesleyan defeated Oberlin, 1-0, then again scored the game's only goal in a 1-0 regulation decision over Wooster.

#### WOMEN'S SOCCER

**Ashley Miller (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin)** scored the game-winning goal in Allegheny's 1-0 decision over Earlham. She also recorded a goal in the Gators' 3-0 defeat of Oberlin.

#### VOLLEYBALL

Oberlin freshman outside hitter **Anna Frackman (Madison, WI/West)** totaled 35 kills and averaged 3.89 kills per game as the Yeowomen won twice in conference play. She also had 13 digs, three service aces and a block. Oberlin has five victories in conference play, the most since the 1992 Yeowomen went 6-5. Oberlin swept its two conference opponents, defeating both Kenyon and Earlham, 3-0, then losing to Wittenberg, also by a 3-0 count.

**2008 North Coast Athletic Conference Fall Sport Standings**  
**Through games of Oct. 18, 2008 (All games)**

Field Hockey	CONFERENCE						OVERALL					
	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
1. Wooster.....	7	1	0	.875	32	12	10	4	0	.714	50	27
Ohio Wesleyan.....	7	1	0	.875	15	8	10	4	0	.714	28	22
3. Kenyon.....	5	2	0	.714	25	8	6	8	0	.429	35	22
4. Wittenberg.....	6	4	0	.600	38	22	9	5	0	.643	48	30
5. Earlham.....	2	6	0	.250	7	23	5	8	0	.385	15	34
Denison.....	2	6	0	.250	10	20	3	11	0	.214	14	39
7. Oberlin.....	0	9	0	.000	6	40	1	13	0	.071	12	56

Football	NCAC			Points			Overall			Points		
	W	L	T	For	Opp	Pct	W	L	T	For	Opp	Pct
1. Wabash.....	4	0	0	157	57	1.000	6	0	0	243	76	1.000
Wooster.....	3	0	0	57	26	1.000	5	1	0	129	73	.833
3. Wittenberg.....	3	1	0	131	33	.750	4	2	0	180	73	.667
4. Oberlin.....	2	1	0	72	67	.667	2	4	0	135	197	.333
5. Denison.....	2	2	0	81	85	.500	3	3	0	144	157	.500
6. Allegheny.....	1	2	0	41	74	.333	2	4	0	91	139	.333
Earlham.....	1	2	0	76	102	.333	1	5	0	132	231	.167
8. Hiram.....	1	3	0	106	163	.250	2	4	0	132	218	.333
Ohio Wesleyan.....	1	3	0	41	88	.250	1	5	0	55	158	.167
10. Kenyon.....	0	4	0	88	155	.000	1	6	0	166	276	.143

Men's Soccer	CONFERENCE						OVERALL						
	W	L	T	Pts	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
1. Ohio Wesleyan.....	6	0	0	18	1.000	16	2	12	4	0	.750	38	15
2. Wittenberg.....	4	1	0	12	.800	11	7	13	1	0	.929	37	14
Kenyon.....	4	1	0	12	.800	13	3	10	4	1	.700	38	18
4. Hiram.....	3	2	0	9	.600	7	7	10	4	0	.714	30	19
Wooster.....	3	3	0	9	.500	4	4	6	7	1	.464	17	16
6. Allegheny.....	2	2	1	7	.500	11	6	4	8	2	.357	24	23
7. Oberlin.....	2	4	0	6	.333	14	9	8	8	0	.500	32	23
8. Denison.....	1	3	1	4	.300	5	8	4	6	3	.423	15	20
9. Earlham.....	1	4	0	3	.200	5	20	9	6	0	.600	22	26
10. Wabash.....	0	6	0	0	.000	2	22	4	8	3	.367	16	34

Women's Soccer	CONFERENCE						OVERALL						
	W	L	T	Pts	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
1. Ohio Wesleyan.....	4	0	1	13	.900	9	3	9	4	2	.667	31	26
2. Denison.....	4	0	0	12	1.000	7	0	11	2	1	.821	34	9
Wittenberg.....	4	1	0	12	.800	13	6	9	2	4	.733	25	10
4. Allegheny.....	3	2	0	9	.600	6	3	6	8	1	.433	16	17
5. Kenyon.....	2	1	1	7	.625	7	6	5	7	1	.423	17	20
6. Earlham.....	1	3	0	3	.250	2	4	9	5	0	.643	43	16
Wooster.....	1	3	0	3	.250	5	6	9	5	0	.643	30	12
8. Hiram.....	0	4	0	0	.000	2	13	5	9	0	.357	16	26
Oberlin.....	0	5	0	0	.000	1	11	3	10	1	.250	13	30

Volleyball	Conference			Overall		
	W-L	Pct		W-L	Pct	
1. Wittenberg.....	11-0	1.000		24-2	.923	
2. Allegheny.....	9-2	.818		13-12	.520	
3. Wooster.....	8-3	.727		14-12	.538	
4. Hiram.....	8-4	.667		14-15	.483	
5. Ohio Wesleyan.....	5-6	.455		7-18	.280	
6. Oberlin.....	5-7	.417		6-18	.250	
7. Denison.....	3-7	.300		6-16	.273	
8. Earlham.....	1-9	.100		3-21	.125	
9. Kenyon.....	0-12	.000		0-23	.000	