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NCAC Football Report

UNDEFEATED WOOSTER, WABASH TAKE BREAK FROM CONFERENCE; 2-0 WITTENBERG ENTERTAINS 0-1 EARLHAM

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CLEVELAND -- Three teams enter the second week of October with perfect North Coast records. Two of those squads, Wooster (3-0, 4-0) and Wabash (3-0, 4-0) each take a break from conference play in the coming week with contests against University Athletic Association foes. The Fighting Scots, coming off a 16-14 decision over Earlham, meet undefeated Case (4-0) in Cleveland, while the Little Giants head to Washington in St. Louis (3-1) after defeating Allegheny, 48-7, last weekend.

Wittenberg (2-0, 3-1) aims to keep pace with a home contest against Earlham (0-1, 0-4). The Tigers defeated Hiram, 44-7, last week while the Quakers were edged by Wooster in their league opener. In other NCAC games, the Terriers (1-1, 2-2) travel to Denison (0-2, 1-3) while Ohio Wesleyan (0-3, 0-4) welcomes Kenyon (0-2, 1-4).

Oberlin (1-1, 1-3), fresh off its first victory of the season, 28-15 over OWU, travels to the UAA's University of Chicago (0-3). Allegheny (1-1, 2-2) looks to bounce back after its loss to the Little Giants with a home contest against UAA opponent Carnegie Mellon (3-2). The game between the Gators and the Tartans will be broadcast live on Fox SportsNet Pittsburgh with a 3:30 kickoff time.

Grid Notebook: **ALLEGHENY** lost to Wabash, 48-7, in Crawfordsville to fall to 1-1 in the NCAC. **C.J. Bell (Belle Vernon, PA/Belle Vernon)** led the defense with a game-high nine tackles. **Jake Vite (Hollidaysburg, PA/Hollidaysburg)** led the Gators in receiving for the fourth time in four games. He caught five passes for 30 yards ... **DENISON** quarterback **Mike Barnes (Gates Mills, OH/Mayfield)** rushed for 74 yards, rushed for one touchdown and threw for another in a 45-14 loss to Case. Senior linebacker **Bert Bathiany (Ft. Thomas, KY/Highlands)** posted a career-high 10 tackles ... **EARLHAM** senior quarterback **Randy Kerns (West Manchester, OH/National Trail)** completed 23 of 37 passes for 210 yards and a touchdown as the Quakers fell short against Wooster, 16-14. Junior **Cale Gulliford (Marion, IN/Marion)** made 10 stops to pace the defense ... **HIRAM** lost to Wittenberg by a 44-7 score. Senior defensive back **Derreck Haynes (Willowick, OH/Eastlake North)** paced the defense with nine tackles, a half sack and an interception ... **KENYON** led, 23-12, late in the game against Carnegie Mellon, only to see the Tartans score twice in a span of 90 seconds and steal a 23-12 victory. The Lords recovered three CMU fumbles. Junior **Kyle Toot (Cape Elizabeth, ME/Cape Elizabeth)** provided a significant chunk of the Kenyon offense with the ninth 200-yard performance in school history, toting the ball 35 times for 208 rushing yards ... **OBERLIN** picked up its first victory of the season, a 28-15 NCAC decision over Ohio Wesleyan. It was the first victory by the Yeomen over the Battling Bishops in 19 games dating back to 1987. Senior wide receiver **Mike Loll (Davison, MI/Davison)** caught a game-high seven passes, two for touchdowns. Senior running back **R.V. Carroll (Perry, OH/Perry)** rushed for a season-high 147 yards on 23 carries and one touchdown, all in three quarters of action. He is six points and 32 yards short of becoming the school's all-time leader in scoring and rushing yardage. Sophomore **Austin Richards (Commerce Twp., MI/Walled Lake Northern)** posted a career-high 14 tackles, and returned a fumble 33 yards for a score ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** senior running back **Kyle Adams (North Canton, OH/Hoover)** led the Battling Bishops in a 28-15 loss to Oberlin. He carried the ball 15 times for 100 yards and one touchdown. Defensively, junior safety **Rylan Mitter-Burke (Marlborough, MA/Marlboro)** made 10 tackles and broke up a pass as OWU fell to Oberlin for the first time since 1987, 28-15 ... The seventh-ranked **WABASH** team upended Allegheny, 48-7 as senior running back **Bobby Kimp (Hammond, IN/Bishop Noll)** rushed for 84 yards on 19 attempts and snagged a six-yard touchdown pass. Senior defensive tackle **Darryl Kennon (Tempe, AZ/McClintock)** made 2.5 tackles for losses of 10 yards, including 1.5 sacks for five yards. He moved into third place on the Little Giants' career TFL list with 47.5 and fifth in career sacks with 25.5. He finished with five total tackles and tipped one pass at the line .. **WITTENBERG** senior **Matt Brumfield (Springfield, OH/Kenton Ridge)** threw for 243 yards and two touchdowns, leading the Tigers to a 44-7 decision over Hiram. **Josh McKee (New Carlisle, OH/Tecumseh)** caught eight passes for 177 yards. McKee has scored seven touchdowns in Wittenberg's first four games. Freshman linebacker **Zach Hurtt (Fort Thomas, KY/Highlands)** led the defense with 13 stops and one fumble recovery ... **WOOSTER** freshman running back **Dajaun Bush (Palm Harbor, FL/Palm Harbor University)** had a breakout game in the Fighting Scots' 16-14 victory over Earlham. Bush carried 21 times for 173 yards, as four of his rushes were for 10 or more yards. Junior strong safety **Brian Swan (East Canton, OH/East Canton)** intercepted a pair of passes ending consecutive Quaker drives in the third quarter.

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NORTH COAST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE 2008 FOOTBALL SCOREBOARD

* conference games

Allegheny College (1-1; 2-2)

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	3:30
O. 18	at Denison*	1:00
O. 25	KENYON*	1:00
N. 1	at Wooster*	1:00
N. 8	WITTENBERG*	1:00
N. 15	OHIO WESLEYAN*	1:00

Denison University (0-2; 1-3)

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*	1:00
O. 18	ALLEGHENY*	1:00
O. 25	CHICAGO	1:00
N. 1	at Wittenberg*	1:00
N. 8	KENYON*	1:00
N. 15	at Earlham*	1:00

Earlham College (0-1; 0-4)

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*	1:00
O. 18	HIRAM*	1:00
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 (1-1; 2-2)

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*	1:00
O. 18	at Earlham*	1:00
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 (0-2; 1-4)

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*	1:00
O. 18	OBERLIN*	1:00
O. 25	at Allegheny*	1:00
N. 1	EARLHAM*	1:00
N. 8	at Denison*	1:00

Oberlin College (1-1; 1-3)

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	1:00
O. 18	at Kenyon*	1:00
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 (0-3; 0-4)

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*	1:00
O. 18	CASE WEST. RESERVE	1:00
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 (3-0; 4-0)

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	1:00
O. 18	at Wittenberg*	1:00
O. 25	WOOSTER*	1:00
N. 1	OBERLIN*	1:00
N. 8	at Hiram*	1:00
N. 15	DePAUW	1:05

Wittenberg University (2-0; 3-1)

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*	1:00
O. 18	WABASH*	1:00
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; 4-0)

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 Western Reserve	1:05
O. 18	WASHINGTON (Mo.)	1:00
O. 25	at Wabash*	1:00
N. 1	ALLEGHENY*	1:00
N. 8	at Oberlin*	1:00
N. 15	WITTENBERG*	1:00



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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 -- ALL-OHIO MEET FEATURES ALL SEVEN OHIO-BASED NCAC SCHOOLS

Ohio Wesleyan hosts the Ohio Intercollegiate Championships on Friday. Denison, Hiram, Kenyon, Oberlin, Ohio Wesleyan, Wittenberg and Wooster will compete in the event. The remaining three institutions - Allegheny, Earlham and Wabash - are all idle. The Battling Bishops host the event at the Methodist Theological School and Delaware Golf Club in Delaware. Oberlin's **Joanna Johnson (Chico, CA/Chico)** and Kenyon's **Jim Boston (Brookfield, WI/Marquette)** were the top individuals from NCAC schools in last year's meet. Johnson was fourth in the women's race while Boston was seventh in the men's. Both will represent their respective teams again this season.

Notes: ALLEGHENY had an impressive showing at the Pre-Nationals meet hosted by Hanover. The Gator men won the 20-team meet, as **Tony Dipre (Twinsburg, OH/Walsh Jesuit)** wound up second individually. Dipre covered the eight kilometer course in 25:33.03. The AC women were eighth of 16 squads. **Mia Symoniak (Snyder, NY/Amherst)** was the top individual for the shorthanded Gators. She completed the women's five-kilometer course with a time of 23:33.63 ... **EARLHAM** hosted the Earlham Invitational. The Quaker men finished fifth of eight teams as freshman **Jacob Naegeli (Trout Creek, MT/Thompson Falls)** paced the team in 24th place (27:57). Senior **Michelle Crane (Mansfield, OH/St. Peter's)** was second overall in the women's race to pace the Quaker women to a third-of-nine team finish. Crane traversed the five-kilometer course in 19:40 ... **HIRAM** competed at the Pitt-Greensburg Invitational. The Terrier men finished third of seven schools while the women were fourth of nine. Freshman **Joseph Hengoeid (Seven Hills, OH/Normandy)** paced the men in sixth place with a time of 28:32. Sophomore **Margaret Pokryfki (Shaker Hts., OH/Shaker Hts.)** led the women with a second-place finish in 24:35 ... **WABASH** split its squad, as half the runners competed at the Notre Dame Invitational, the other half at the Hanover Pre-National meet. Senior **Hugh Jackson (Ft. Wayne, IN/South Side)** was the Little Giants' top competitor in the Gold Division of the UND Invitational as he finished 70th with a time of 26:22 and the team was 21st of 23. Sophomore **Seth Einterz (Zionsville, IN/Zionsville)** paced Wabash at Hanover with a 35th-place finish in 26:38 as the squad placed 13th of 20 teams.

FIELD HOCKEY REPORT -- BATTLE OF UNBEATENS ON TAP TONIGHT

First-place and a perfect North Coast Athletic Conference record are up for grabs tonight as Wooster (5-0, 8-2) and Ohio Wesleyan (5-0, 7-3) meet in Wooster. Both teams enter today's contest with perfect conference records and a share of first-place. The game will be Wooster's only NCAC tilt this week, while the Battling Bishops will return home to host Earlham on Thursday. OWU edged the Quakers, 1-0, earlier this season.

Two other contests are slated for today: Denison (2-4, 2-9) travels to Wittenberg (2-4, 4-5) and Oberlin (0-6, 1-10) heads to Kenyon (4-1, 5-5). The Big Red and Tigers enter the game tied for fourth; this is the first meeting between the squads this fall. The Ladies sit in third place and are looking to strengthen their position among the top four teams in the league, while the Yeowomen are in the hunt for their first NCAC win of the season.

The final North Coast game set for this week sends Wittenberg to Oberlin on Saturday.

Notes: DENISON fell to 2-9 overall with a 3-2, triple-overtime loss to Kenyon and a 1-0 defeat at the hands of Washington & Jefferson. Freshman goalie **Kristie Hart (Blacklick, OH/Columbus Academy)** made 13 stops in the two games, raising her season save percentage to .818 ... **EARLHAM** split a pair of league contests, falling to Wittenberg, 5-1, before defeating Oberlin, 3-2. Senior **Alexa Gabriel (Silver Spring, MD/montgomery Blair)** scored the lone goal against the Tigers. Sophomore **Chrissy Sollenberger (Annville, PA/Annville Cleona)** scored a hattrick in the victory over the Yeowomen, and those scores were her first of the season. Earlham is now 2-5 in the NCAC, 4-7 overall ... **KENYON** was involved in three overtime games last week, going 1-2 in those contests. The Ladies lost at Fairleigh-Dickinson, 2-1 in triple overtime, defeated Denison, 3-2 in triple overtime, then lost to 3-2 in overtime to Wooster. The Ladies are 5-5 overall, 4-1 in the North Coast ... **OBERLIN** dropped a pair of NCAC contests. The Yeowomen lost to Ohio Wesleyan, 1-0 as sophomore **Manya Lulek (Holliston, MA/Holliston)** registered 14 saves. Oberlin also lost to Earlham, 3-2, despite outshooting the Quakers, 40-19 ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** picked up two one-goal conference victories last week, defeating Oberlin, 1-0, and Wittenberg, 2-1. Freshman attacker **Macie Miller (Kettering, OH/Fairmont)** scored the game-winner against the Yeowomen at the 24:12 mark of the first half and the Battling Bishops made it stand. Miller also scored the first goal in the defeat of the Tigers, leading

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OWU to a season sweep of Wittenberg for the second consecutive season. Sophomore attacker **Erin Fleck (Columbus, OH/Bishop Watterson)** scored the game-winner against the Tigers with just under 30 minutes to play. Ohio Wesleyan also lost a non-conference game to Rochester by a 4-0 score ... **WITTENBERG** sophomore **Tori Casanta (Mason, OH/Cor Jesu Academy)** scored five goals in her team's 1-1 week. She scored four in a 5-1 defeat of Earlham, and accounted for her team's only score in a 2-1 loss to Ohio Wesleyan. The Tigers are 4-5 overall and 2-4 in the North Coast ... **WOOSTER** extended its win streak to six games with a pair of victories last week. Sophomore forward **Briana Lynch (North East, MD/North East)** scored the game tying goal with 8:47 left, and added the game-winner 2:07 into overtime as the Fighting Scots defeated Kenyon, 3-2 in overtime. Both squads were undefeated in the league entering the game. Lynch has nine goals and two assists for 20 points this season.

GOLF REPORT -- OHIO WESLEYAN WINS OBERLIN INVITATIONAL

Ohio Wesleyan senior **Jeff Nieman (Maineville, OH/Cincinnati Moeller)** fired a second-round 70 to finish with a 142, topping the field at the Oberlin Invitational, the second event of the 2008 North Coast Athletic Conference Golf Championship Series. Collectively, the Battling Bishops shot a combined 581 over 36 holes to claim the team title. Wittenberg (607) and Allegheny (608) followed in second and third, respectively, while Denison (626) was fourth and Wabash (634) fifth. Wooster (647), Kenyon (653) and Hiram round out places sixth through eight.

The Oberlin Invitational was the second of four conference events that compose the NCAC Golf Championship Series. The first three events of the season span 36 holes, while the final, the NCAC Invitational, stretches to 54 holes. The top combined finish after all four events wins the NCAC title, and the conference's automatic bid into the NCAA Div. III championships. Teams must compete in all four events to qualify for the league championship and an NCAA berth.

The final 36-hole event will be hosted by Wabash on April 18-19. Allegheny will host the 54-hole NCAC Invitational on May 2-3.

Notes: Also last week, **DENISON** finished up the 2008 fall season with a first-place finish at the Muskingum Fall Invitational. All six members of the Big Red lineup placed in the top 10, led by sophomore **Kyle Bates (Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake)**, who carded a 74-69=143 to place third in a field of 45 golfers ... **HIRAM'S** top individual at the Oberlin Invitational was senior **Brian Wilthew (Garrettsville, OH/Garfield)**, who carded an 85-85=170 ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** senior **Jeff Nieman (Maineville, OH/Cincinnati Moeller)** won medalist honors at Oberlin, and junior **Tommy Harman (Perrysburg, OH/Perrysburg)** was right behind him in second with a two-round 143 ... **WABASH** placed seventh in the 12-team DePauw Small College Golf Classic. Junior **Sam Russell (Springfield, OH/Greenon)** was the Little Giants' top individual. He tied for 28th with a score of 76-82=158.

MEN'S SOCCER REPORT -- WITTENBERG ROLLS TO 11-0 RECORD; TIGERS, BISHOPS, LORDS SHARE FIRST

Seven North Coast games will be played over the course of the upcoming week as teams approach the mid-point of the conference season. Wittenberg (2-0-0, 11-0-0) leads the way with a perfect 11-0 record that includes victories in its first two league games of the season. The Tigers play a single NCAC game this week, hosting fifth-place (tie) Oberlin (1-1-0, 7-5-0) on Saturday.

Wittenberg may be the sole team with a perfect overall record, but they have some company atop the league standings as Kenyon (2-0-0, 8-3-1) and Ohio Wesleyan (2-0-0, 8-4-0) have also won their first two conference games of the fall. The Lords and Battling Bishops square off on Wednesday, putting a perfect record out of reach for one of the two teams. OWU returns to the pitch on Friday when it welcomes fourth-place Denison (1-0-1, 4-3-3) to Delaware. Kenyon travels to fifth-place (tie) Hiram (1-1-0, 8-3-0) on Saturday.

Hiram, Oberlin and Wooster (1-2-0, 4-6-1) are all knotted at fifth place. The Fighting Scots battle the Yeomen in Oberlin today and travel to ninth-place (tie) Earlham (0-2-0, 8-4-0) on Saturday. Wabash (0-3-0, 4-5-2) also sits in ninth place; the Little Giants travel across the conference to Allegheny on Saturday.

Notes: **ALLEGHENY** played a pair of overtime ties last week. The Gators battled to a 1-1 decision against John Carroll and a 0-0 stalemate against Denison. **Alex Habay (Gibsonia, PA/Hampton)** scored the goal for the Gators. **Edwin Niederberger (Pittsburgh, PA/Shady Side Academy)** made his first two collegiate appearances in goal and totaled 12 saves ... **DENISON** tied its only contest last week, 0-0 in overtime with Allegheny. The Big Red, who are 4-3-3 overall, 1-0-1 in the NCAC, got eight saves from goalkeeper **Kevin Donahue (Riverside, CT/Greenwich)**. It was Donahue's first shutout this season, and it lowered his goals against average to 1.22 ... **EARLHAM** had an up and down week with a 3-2 defeat of Manchester, then a 7-0 loss to Oberlin. Senior **Victor Anciano (San Antonio-Altos, Venezuela/Armand Hammer)** scored all three goals against Manchester, including the game-winner at the 88:00 mark ... **HIRAM** defeated Marietta, 4-3 in overtime, before falling to Ohio Wesleyan, 3-0. The Terriers got goals from four different players in the victory. Junior midfielder **Matt Urban (Hudson, OH/Hudson)** scored the overtime winner against the Pioneers on a penalty kick. Hiram is 8-3 overall, 1-1 in conference ... **KENYON** defeated Wabash, 4-0, to improve to 2-0 in the NCAC this season, 8-3-1 overall ... Junior forward **Skylar Dum (Milford, MI/Degroit Catholic Central)** led **OBERLIN** in a 7-0 defeat of Earlham with his first career hat trick. He fired seven shots, including four on goal. Freshman **Oliver Miller-Farrell (New York, NY/Friends Seminary)** scored once in the game and contributed three assists ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** fell to Case, 3-2, then bounced back to defeat Hiram, 3-0. Freshman forward **Taylor Kiefer (North Canton, OH/Hoover)** scored twice against the Terriers ... In its only action last week, **WABASH** dropped a 4-0 decision to Kenyon. Freshman goalkeeper **Pat West (Danville, IN/Brownsburg)** made four saves for the Little Giants ... A goal off a penalty kick by **Brian Glenn (Lewis Center, OH/Olentangy)** was the difference as **WITTENBERG** edged Wooster, 1-0. The Tigers improved to 11-0 overall, 2-0 in the NCAC. Wittenberg has outscored its opponents, 29-8 this season ... **WOOSTER** fell to 4-6-1 overall, 1-2-0 in the NCAC with the 1-0 loss to Wittenberg. Freshman goalie **Taylor Takacs (Gibsonia, PA/**

Sewickley Academy) made a season high 10 stops, his only setback coming on a penalty kick early in the second half.

WOMEN'S SOCCER REPORT -- THREE OFF TO PERFECT START IN NCAC PLAY

Ohio Wesleyan (2-0-0, 7-4-1) has opened its 2008 North Coast season with a pair of victories and looks to add a third in its lone conference game this week. The Battling Bishops host Kenyon (0-0-0, 3-6-0) on Thursday in the Ladies' league opener. Earlham (1-0-0, 9-2-0) and Denison (1-0-0, 7-2-1) also opened NCAC play on the winning side of the scoreboard. This week the Quakers host Wooster (0-1-0, 8-3-0) on Saturday, while the Big Red welcomes Oberlin (0-1-0, 3-6-1) tomorrow and travels to Allegheny (0-1-0, 3-7-1) on Sunday.

Allegheny opens its week at Wooster tomorrow. Saturday, Hiram (0-1-0, 5-5-0) heads to Wittenberg (1-1-0, 6-2-4) while Oberlin drives to Kenyon.

Notes: ALLEGHENY dropped a 1-0 game to Ohio Wesleyan in their only action last week. **Emily Karr (Wexford, PA/Pine-Richland)** made five saves ... **DENISON** ran its win streak to three with a 3-0 defeat of Hiram. Senior forward **Sarah Ash (Cincinnati, OH/Sycamore)** scored twice and assisted on the third as DU won its conference opener. Ash has five goals in the past two games and leads the Big Red with 18 points and six assists this season, leading the team to a 7-2-1 overall mark. Denison's Wednesday, Oct. 8 match with Oberlin will be audio broadcast live at www.denison.edu/athletics ... **EARLHAM** claimed a 2-0 victory over Oberlin in its North Coast opener. Senior **Hillary Carter (Middletown, OH/Lakota East)** scored the 33rd goal of her career, what proved to be the game-winner, at the 7:30 mark of the first half. That goal gave her the Earlham all-time goal-scoring lead, breaking the tie she'd been in with Hilde Thomason (1995-98). The goal also lifted her into a tie for the all-time career points lead. She ties Quaker all-time leader Lacey Berns (1998-2000) with 78 ... **HIRAM** defeated Mount Union, 3-1, and lost to Denison, 3-0, to make their record 5-5 overall, 0-1 in conference. Junior **Ashley Ellsworth (Strongsville, OH/Strongsville)** and sophomore **Claire Conner (Aurora, OH/Aurora)** each recorded a goal and an assist during the week. Ellsworth notched the game winner against the Purple Raiders ... **KENYON** is 3-6 overall after defeating Marietta, 2-1 in overtime and losing to Calvin, 1-0. The Ladies open NCAC play Thursday at Ohio Wesleyan ... **OBERLIN** lost to Fredonia State and Earlham by identical 2-0 scores ... **OHIO WESLEYAN** defeated a pair of NCAC opponents last week, each by one goal. In a 2-1 defeat of Wittenberg, freshman forward **Makinzie Krebsbach (Vadnais Hts., MN/Totino-Grace)** scored the overtime game winner. Senior forward **Allie Cozzone (Chagrin Falls, OH/Kenston)** accounted for all the scoring in a 1-0 decision over Allegheny. She scored with 20:49 left. The Battling Bishops are 7-4-1 overall, 2-0-0 in the NCAC ... **WITTENBERG** freshman forward **Megan Utter (Grand Rapids, MI/East Grand Rapids)** made her first collegiate goal count as it proved to be the game winner in a 3-2 decision over Wooster. The Tigers also lost to Ohio Wesleyan, 2-1 ... Junior midfielder **Chantal Koechli (Greer, SC/Brighton, MI)** scored once and assisted on the other as **WOOSTER** lost its NCAC opener, 3-2 to Wittenberg. The Fighting Scots also lost to John Carroll last week, 1-0. They are 8-3 overall.

MEN'S TENNIS REPORT -- KENYON'S GREENBERG RUNNER-UP AT ITA REGIONAL

KENYON junior **Michael Greenberg (Chapel Hill, NC/East Chapel Hill)**, the defending NCAA III Men's singles champion, reached the final of the 128-player Intercollegiate Tennis Association's Central Region tournament. As the top seed, he defeated five straight opponents, including three from Washington (Mo.), to meet the number-two seed, John Watts, also of Washington. Watts, the only player to defeat Greenberg in the past two seasons, won easily in the final, 6-1, 6-0.

Lord senior **Daniel Becker (Portland, OR/Sunset)** and freshman **Tomas Piskacek (Sestajovice, Czech./Gymnazium Spitalska)** each reached the round of 16 before falling in singles competition. The duo combined to win three matches before losing in the quarterfinals. Greenberg and partner, junior **Charlie Brody (Washington, DC/Sidwell Friends)**, also reached the quarterfinals before being eliminated.

WABASH seniors **Ryan Waldon (Crawfordsville, IN/Crawfordsville)** and **Jay Horrey (New Albany, IN/New Albany)** each won their first singles matches at the ITA tournament, but fell in the second round.

VOLLEYBALL REPORT -- WITTENBERG CONTINUES IN FIRST PLACE AT HALF-WAY POINT

First-place Wittenberg (6-0, 18-2) continues to pile up wins as North Coast Athletic Conference teams hit the halfway point of the league season. The Tigers test their perfect 6-0 conference record twice in the coming week, starting with a home match against eighth-place (tie) Earlham (0-5, 2-16) today. Wittenberg then hosts sixth-place Denison (2-3, 5-11) on Friday.

Hiram (5-2, 10-12) and Allegheny (5-1, 9-11) enter the week tied for second place. The Terriers are at eighth-place (tie) Kenyon (0-7, 0-16) today and at fourth-place Wooster (4-2, 10-9) on Friday before hosting a tri-match with seventh-place Oberlin (2-4, 3-14) and Thiel on Saturday. The Gators head west to Oberlin on Friday and continue on to fifth-place Ohio Wesleyan (3-2, 5-13) on Saturday.

Wooster opens its week at Ohio Wesleyan tomorrow and also will join Capital in a tri-match at Denison on Saturday. Other matches on this week's slate include Denison at Oberlin today, Ohio Wesleyan at Earlham on Friday in an Athletes for the Cure match in support of breast cancer research and a tri-match between Kenyon, Earlham and Rose-Hulman in Richmond, IN on Saturday.

Notes: ALLEGHENY won two of three conference matches last week, the only loss coming to Wittenberg ... **DENISON** also finish 2-1 last week in conference play, knocking off Earlham and Kenyon in straight sets before falling to Ohio Wesleyan in four. In 10 sets this week, freshman **Megan Early (Findlay, OH/Van Buren)** posted a .558 attack percentage while averaging 3.4 kills per set. She smashed a

career-high 15 kills against OWU ... **EARLHAM** fell to 0-5 in league play with three, three-set losses last week. The Quakers fell to Denison, Hiram and Allegheny. In the nine sets, junior **Keeley McAnnis-Entenman (Portland, OR/Grant)** recorded 15 kills, 18 digs and seven blocks ... **HIRAM** had a tough week, suffering two losses in conference, 3-2 to Allegheny and 3-0 to Wittenberg. The Terriers also defeated Earlham, 3-0 then lost non-conference battles to both Trinity (TX) and Washington & Jefferson by 3-0 scores. Freshman outside hitter **Shaina Bryan (South Euclid, OH/Brush)** led the team with 37 kills, 33 digs and 3 blocks during the 17 sets ... **KENYON** lost three conference matches and one in non-conference, all by 3-0 scores last week ... **OBERLIN** dropped a pair of conference matches, losing 3-0 to both Wooster and Ohio Wesleyan ... Sophomore **Alexa Bean (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** totaled 31 kills, 31 digs, four assists, four solo blocks and one block assist in **OHIO WESLEYAN'S** 3-0 week. All three victories came in conference play. The Battling Bishops posted 3-0 wins over Kenyon and Oberlin and scored a 3-1 decision over Denison to up their season mark to 5-13 overall, 3-2 in the NCAC ... Setter **Kendall Obreza (Gainesville, FL/Oak Hall)** finished with 51 assists and middle hitter **Jessica Kimble (Dennison, OH/Claymont)** smashed 20 kills as **WITTENBERG** went 3-0- last week and improved to 18-2 overall, 6-0 in conference action. The Tigers have won 99 of their past 100 NCAC matches dating to the 1998 season. **Jackie Williams (Rocky River, OH/Magnificat)** accounted for 34 kills and 5.5 blocks during the week ... Junior **KateLynn Riley (Westlake, OH/Westlake)** helped **WOOSTER** to a 3-0 record last week with 38 kills, .349 hitting percentage, eight aces, four digs and 11 total blocks. She recorded double-digit kills in every match, and had a career-high five service aces in the 3-0 defeat of Oberlin. The Fighting Scots are 10-9 overall, 4-2 in the North Coast after sweeping the Yeowomen and Kenyon and losing to Malone.

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NCAC ATHLETES OF THE WEEK (OCT. 7)

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Allegheny junior **Tony DiPre (Twinsburg, OH/Walsh Jesuit)** finished second of 230 runners at the Pre-National meet hosted by Hanover. DiPre completed the eight-kilometer course in 25:33, leading the Gators to the team title.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Allegheny sophomore **Katie Stancik (Russell, OH/Chagrin Falls)** placed 26th of 172 runners at the Pre-National meet hosted by Hanover. Stancik completed the five-kilometer course in 23:50, leading the Gators to an eighth-place team finish.

FIELD HOCKEY

Wittenberg sophomore **Tori Casanta (Mason, OH/Cor Jesu Academy)** scored five goals in her team's 1-1 week. She scored four in a 5-1 defeat of Earlham, and accounted for her team's only score in a 2-1 loss to Ohio Wesleyan. The Tigers are 4-5 overall and 2-4 in the North Coast .

FOOTBALL (OFFENSIVE)

Wittenberg freshman **Josh McKee (New Carlisle, OH/Tecumseh)** caught eight passes for 177 yards and a touchdown, and rushed three times for another 18 as the Tigers defeated Hiram, 44-7. McKee has scored seven touchdowns in Wittenberg's first four games.

FOOTBALL (DEFENSIVE)

In Oberlin's first victory of the season, a 28-15 NCAC decision over Ohio Wesleyan, sophomore **Austin Richards (Commerce Twp., MI/Walled Lake Northern)** posted a career-high 14 tackles, and returned a fumble 33 yards for a score. It was the first victory by the Yeomen over the Battling Bishops in 19 games dating back to 1987.

MEN'S SOCCER

Ohio Wesleyan freshman forward **Taylor Kiefer (North Canton, OH/Hoover)** scored twice in a 3-0 victory over Hiram. The Battling Bishops were 1-1 last week as they also lost to Case, 3-2.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Denison senior forward Sarah Ash (Cincinnati, OH/Sycamore) scored twice and assisted on the third as DU won its conference opener, 3-0 over Hiram. Ash has scored five goals in the past two games, leading the Big Red in three-game win streak.

VOLLEYBALL

Sophomore **Alexa Bean (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** totaled 31 kills, 31 digs, four assists, four solo blocks and one block assist in Ohio Wesleyan's 3-0 week. All three victories came in conference play. The Battling Bishops posted 3-0 wins over Kenyon and Oberlin and scored a 3-1 decision over Denison to up their season mark to 5-13 overall, 3-2 in the NCAC.

2008 North Coast Athletic Conference Fall Sport Standings Through games of Oct. 5, 2008 (All games)

Field Hockey	CONFERENCE						OVERALL					
	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
1. Wooster.....	5	0	0	1.000	21	8	8	2	0	.800	38	20
Ohio Wesleyan.....	5	0	0	1.000	9	3	7	3	0	.700	18	16
3. Kenyon.....	4	1	0	.800	16	7	5	5	0	.500	24	16
4. Wittenberg.....	2	4	0	.333	19	16	4	5	0	.444	27	24
Denison.....	2	4	0	.333	6	9	2	9	0	.182	8	27
5. Earlham.....	2	5	0	.286	6	18	4	7	0	.364	8	27
6. Oberlin.....	0	6	0	.000	6	22	1	10	0	.091	12	38

Football	NCAC			Points			Overall			Points		
	W	L	T	For	Opp	Pct	W	L	T	For	Opp	Pct
1. Wabash.....	3	0	0	144	47	1.000	4	0	0	193	54	1.000
Wooster.....	3	0	0	57	26	1.000	4	0	0	84	32	1.000
Wittenberg.....	2	0	0	76	7	1.000	3	1	0	125	47	.750
4. Hiram.....	1	1	0	52	83	.500	2	2	0	78	138	.500
Allegheny.....	1	1	0	31	61	.500	2	2	0	67	85	.500
Oberlin.....	1	1	0	41	39	.500	1	3	0	97	136	.250
7. Earlham.....	0	1	0	14	16	.000	0	4	0	70	145	.000
Denison.....	0	2	0	37	62	.000	1	2	0	86	89	.333
Kenyon.....	0	2	0	52	100	.000	1	4	0	130	221	.200
Ohio Wesleyan.....	0	3	0	17	80	.000	0	4	0	24	115	.000

Men's Soccer	CONFERENCE							OVERALL					
	W	L	T	Pts	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
1. Wittenberg.....	2	0	0	6	1.000	3	1	11	0	0	1.000	29	8
Kenyon.....	2	0	0	6	1.000	5	0	8	3	1	.708	30	15
Ohio Wesleyan.....	2	0	0	6	1.000	11	1	8	4	0	.667	33	14
4. Denison.....	1	0	1	4	.750	2	1	4	3	3	.550	12	13
5. Hiram.....	1	1	0	3	.500	2	4	8	3	0	.727	25	16
Oberlin.....	1	1	0	3	.500	8	2	7	5	0	.583	26	16
Wooster.....	1	2	0	3	.333	1	2	4	6	1	.409	14	14
8. Allegheny.....	0	1	1	1	.250	1	2	2	7	2	.273	14	19
9. Earlham.....	0	2	0	0	.000	1	15	8	4	0	.667	18	21
Wabash.....	0	3	0	0	.000	1	7	4	5	2	.455	12	16

Women's Soccer	CONFERENCE							OVERALL					
	W	L	T	Pts	Pct	GF	GA	W	L	T	Pct	GF	GA
Ohio Wesleyan.....	2	0	0	6	1.000	3	1	7	4	1	.625	25	24
Earlham.....	1	0	0	3	1.000	2	0	9	2	0	.818	43	12
Denison.....	1	0	0	3	1.000	3	0	7	2	1	.750	27	8
Wittenberg.....	1	1	0	3	.500	4	4	6	2	4	.667	16	8
Kenyon.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	6	0	.333	10	14
Wooster.....	0	1	0	0	.000	2	3	8	3	0	.727	27	9
Hiram.....	0	1	0	0	.000	0	3	5	5	0	.500	13	14
Oberlin.....	0	1	0	0	.000	0	2	3	6	1	.350	12	21
Allegheny.....	0	1	0	0	.000	0	1	3	7	1	.318	10	15

Volleyball	Conference			Overall		
	W-L	Pct		W-L	Pct	
1. Wittenberg.....	6-0	1.000		18-2	.900	
2. Hiram.....	5-2	.714		10-12	.455	
Allegheny.....	5-2	.714		9-11	.450	
4. Wooster.....	4-2	.667		10-9	.526	
5. Ohio Wesleyan.....	3-2	.600		5-13	.278	
6. Denison.....	2-3	.400		5-11	.312	
7. Oberlin.....	2-4	.333		3-14	.176	
8. Earlham.....	0-5	.000		2-16	.111	
Kenyon.....	0-7	.000		0-16	.000	