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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

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NCAA Division III

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**2008 SCAC Women's
Championship
Tournament**
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- February 29, March 1-2, 2008 (Fri-Sat-Sun)
- Hosted by Hendrix College, Conway, AR
- Eight Team Field, Single-elimination
- Qualify: Top four teams from each division
- Champion: SCAC automatic qualifier to NCAA Division III Championship

NCAA Championship Tournament

- First Round: March 5-7 (on campus)
- Second Round: March 7-8 (on campus)
- Sectionals: March 14-15 (on campus)
- Semifinals/Finals: March 21-22
(Holland, Mich.)

2006-07 SEASON REVIEW

SCAC Champion
DePauw University

NCAA Championship Participants

Oglethorpe University
(lost in First Round)
DePauw University
(National Champion)

WEB LINKS

www.ncaa.org
www.ncaasports.com
www.scac-online.org/basketball_womens
www.d3hoops.com

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CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Games through February 10 (Sunday)

EASTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
DePauw University	11	0	1.000	19	3	0.864	W8
Oglethorpe University	9	2	0.818	18	3	0.857	W1
Centre College	4	7	0.364	7	12	0.368	W1
Sewanee-Univ. of the South	3	8	0.273	8	13	0.381	L1
Rhodes College	3	9	0.250	10	12	0.455	L2
*Birmingham-Southern	0	0	0.000	17	5	0.773	L1

WESTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Trinity University	9	2	0.818	15	5	0.750	W2
Colorado College	7	5	0.583	11	10	0.524	L1
Hendrix College	6	6	0.500	13	9	0.591	W2
Southwestern University	4	7	0.364	10	11	0.476	L2
Austin College	4	8	0.333	5	17	0.227	L2
Millsaps College	3	9	0.250	6	16	0.273	W1

*BSC will not be eligible for the conference championship and all conference games against them will not count in the league standings.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, February 11 – Sunday, February 17

Friday, February 15

OGLETHORPE @ BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN	6 P.M.
HENDRIX @ TRINITY	6 P.M.
MILLSAPS @ SOUTHWESTERN	6 P.M.
SEWANEE @ RHODES	6 P.M.

Saturday, February 16

COLORADO COLLEGE @ AUSTIN COLLEGE	1 P.M.
CENTRE @ DEPAUW	1 P.M.
HENDRIX @ SOUTHWESTERN	6 P.M.

Sunday, February 17

SEWANEE @ BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN	1 P.M.
MILLSAPS @ TRINITY	NOON
OGLETHORPE @ RHODES	1 P.M.

All times local
SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

2007-08 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Week 1	Meghan Scholbe, Trinity
Week 2	Krista Prato Matthews, Trinity
Week 3	Katie Kulavic, Oglethorpe
Week 4	Jenna Fernandez, DePauw Anna Findley, Oglethorpe
Week 5	Melanie Auguste, Colorado College
Week 6	Christina Byler, Hendrix
Week 7	Meghan Scholbe, Trinity
Week 8	Melanie Auguste, Colorado College
Week 9	Katie Kulavic, Oglethorpe
Week 10	Jenna Fernandez, DePauw
Week 11	Ashley Farrell, Rhodes Cassie Pruzin, DePauw
Week 12	Anna Findley, Oglethorpe
Week 13	
Week 14	

SCAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Games of February 4 – February 10

ANNA FINDLEY OF OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY, a 5-6, junior guard from Hiram, Ga., has been selected the SCAC Women's Basketball Player-of-the-Week for games played from Monday, February 4 through Sunday, February 10.

Findley posted her first double-double of the season in a 77-61 win over Sewanee. She led three Petrels in double figures with a game-high 23 points on 8 of 17 shooting and tied a SCAC single-game record with 11 steals. Jenna Smith of Trinity also had 11 steals in a single game - against Centre on Jan. 11, 2004. **Findley** also recorded three assists and two rebounds in 27 minutes of action as Oglethorpe improved to 9-2 in the SCAC East and 18-3 overall. For the season, **Findley** is averaging 15.7 points (sixth in the SCAC) and leads the league in steals at 4.14 thefts per contest. She is third in the SCAC in three-point field goals made per game (2.48) and second in free-throw percentage (87.7%).

Other outstanding performances in the SCAC:

Sophomore forward Jenna Fernandez of DePauw averaged 19.0 points and 6.0 rebounds per game as the 12th-ranked Tigers earned two SCAC wins over the weekend. Fernandez, who led DePauw in scoring in both games, had 18 points and three rebounds against Rhodes and 20 points and nine rebounds against Birmingham-Southern. She shot 64.3 percent (18 of 28) from the field. Junior guard Anna Findley of Oglethorpe Junior guard Rachel Snyder of Trinity helped the Tigers to a pair of wins over the weekend, defeating both Southwestern and Dallas on Friday and Saturday. Snyder averaged 15.0 points and 2.5 rebounds per game over the weekend, also averaging 4.5 assists and 3.5 steals in the two games. She hit 10 of 18 (55.6%) from the field and 8 of 8 from the foul line. In Friday's win at Southwestern, Snyder finished with eight points, three assists, and two steals in just her second start of the year. On Saturday, she exploded with a career-high 22 points on 8 of 12 shooting, broke her career-high in steals with five, and tied her career-best mark with six assists in the game. For the season, Snyder is averaging 6.4 points per game and is shooting 37% (47-127) from the field. She has made 22 of 27 (81.5%) from the free throw line, and is averaging 3.0 assists and 1.8 steals per game this season. First-year forward Christian Byler of Hendrix led the team with 25 points against Austin and 23 points against Colorado this weekend. Byler was 10-of-11 from the free-throw line on Friday and 7-of-8 from the penalty stripe on Sunday. Byler, who was a combined 5-of-9 from behind the arc this weekend, has now scored at least 20 points in 12 affairs this year. Sophomore forward Katy Williams of Austin College posted two double-doubles during the 'Roos weekend road trip to Hendrix and Millsaps, going off for 34 points and grabbing 13 rebounds against the Warriors and following that up with a 21-point, 14-rebound, five-assist performance against the Majors. For the week, Williams shot 53.3 percent from the field (24-of-45) on her way to averaging 27.5 points, 13.5 rebounds, 3.5 assists, and 2 steals per game. Sophomore guard Chelsea Goodman of Centre had a monster weekend averaging 23.5 points, 8.5 rebounds and 3.5 steals in helping Centre split a pair of SCAC home games. In the Colonels 61-51 loss to Birmingham Southern Friday night, Goodman scored a team-high 17 points with six rebounds, three assists and three steals in 32 minutes of action. Two days later, Goodman notched her fourth double-double of her career with a career-high 30 points and 11 rebounds. She also had four steals and two blocks in Centre's 67-64 double-overtime win over Rhodes. Goodman is now averaging 13.6 points and 6.3 rebounds per game overall and 15.9 points and 5.7 rebounds in league action to lead Centre in both categories. Junior guard Melanie Auguste of Colorado College had game-highs in points, rebounds, and assists in Friday's win over Millsaps, as she tallied 16 points, 11 boards, and six assists. It was Auguste's sixth double-double this year, to go with one triple-double. She followed that performance with 11 points, four rebounds, six more assists, and three steals against Hendrix in a loss on Sunday. Auguste totaled 27 points, 15 rebounds, 12 assists, and three steals in the two games. Junior guard Anne Wills of Sewanee helped the Tigers go 1-1 on the week, including a big win over regional rival Maryville (Tenn.). Wills, who is averaging 10.5 points per game this season, totaled 13.5 points per game this week and led the Tigers against Maryville with 16. Junior forward Crystal Dickerson of Millsaps had a very balanced weekend for the Majors on the stat sheet, averaging 9.5 points, 5.5 rebounds, 5.5 assists and 4.0 steals to lead Millsaps to a weekend split in the Hangar Dome. Dickerson dished out 11 assists on the weekend against just four turnovers, picking up a career-high seven against Austin College in a 76-73 win on Sunday to keep Millsaps in the hunt for a SCAC tournament berth. She also shot a combined 41 percent from the floor (7-of-17) in 70 total minutes. Rhodes and Southwestern did not nominate anyone for the award.

RESULTS

Games of February 4 – February 10

Wednesday, February 6

Sewanee 61, Maryville (Tenn.) 56

Friday, February 8

HENDRIX 66, AUSTIN COLLEGE 61
BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN 61, CENTRE 51
#12 DEPAUW 78, RHODES 50
TRINITY 67, SOUTHWESTERN 60
COLORADO COLLEGE 51, MILLSAPS 43

Saturday, February 9

OGLETHORPE 77, SEWANEE 61
 Trinity 85, Univ. of Dallas 48

Sunday, February 10

HENDRIX 83, COLORADO COLLEGE 76
CENTRE 67, RHODES 64 – 2OT
#12 DEPAUW 81, BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN 56
MILLSAPS 76, AUSTIN COLLEGE 73
 Univ. of Dallas 68, Southwestern 59

SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

D3hoops.com ranking noted when applicable

REGIONAL POLLS

NCAA DIVISION III SOUTH REGION POLL

www.ncaasports.com

Poll	Date	Team	Rank
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For complete team and individual statistics and box scores for all games, click to the official website of SCAC Women's Basketball:

http://www.scac-online.org/basketball_womens

AROUND THE SCAC

Austin College fell twice over the weekend, falling to Hendrix 66-61 despite a career best 34 points from Katy Williams and then getting narrowly edged by Millsaps 76-73. Amber Stafford poured in a career best 26 points in the loss to the Majors, knocking down 6-of-9 attempts from deep, while Williams had her second double-double of the weekend with a 21-point, 14-rebound effort. Williams also pulled down 13 boards against the Warriors, and has recorded four straight double-doubles to give her a total of 11 on the year.

Birmingham-Southern split this week on the road, defeating Centre, Friday, but losing to No. 13 DePauw, Sunday. Against Centre, junior forward Elyse Clay posted a career high with 20 points, and freshman guard Courtney Gibson tied her career high against DePauw with 13 points. The Panthers are still playing without senior forward Reba Ross, who averaged a double-double and led the Panthers in scoring and rebounding prior to suffering a knee injury, Jan. 25, against Colorado College.

Centre split a pair of SCAC home contests this past weekend, falling to Birmingham Southern 61-51 Friday and then defeating Rhodes 67-64 in double overtime. The Colonels fell behind early against the Panthers Friday night and were not able to recover. Chelsea Goodman scored 17 points with six rebounds, three steals and three assists in the loss. Two days later, Centre snapped a three-game losing skid by rallying from seven points down midway through the second half to force overtime and win it in the second extra period. Goodman again had a big game for the Colonels scoring a career-high 30 points with 11 rebounds for her fourth career double-double. She also added four steals and two blocks in the win. Centre, now 7-12 overall and 3-8 in league play, will next take on DePauw Saturday, Feb. 16 in Greencastle, Ind.

Colorado College split a pair of conference games this weekend, defeating Millsaps 51-43 on Friday and falling to Hendrix on Sunday, 83-76. The Tigers held Millsaps to .281 shooting from the field in Friday's win, then allowed Hendrix to shoot .491 in Sunday's loss. Senior forward Paige Whitney moved into third place on CC's all-time list for blocked shots. Her two blocks over the weekend give her 71 for her career. Junior guard Melanie Auguste moved into tenth on the career points list for the school with 987, and is 13 points from becoming the ninth Tiger to score 1,000. Of those nine, Auguste will become the third to reach the landmark this season, joining seniors Whitney and Liz Kolbe. Freshman guard Casey Drillette scored a career-high on Friday for the second game in a row, tallying 13 points on 6 of 10 shooting.

#12 DePauw ran its season win streak to eight and its home win streak to 23 with a 78-50 win over Rhodes and an 81-56 victory over Birmingham-Southern. DePauw also extended its regular season home win streak to 42 straight and its SCAC home string to 38. The Tigers never trailed against Rhodes and jumped out to a 10-point lead in the first five minutes of the game on the way to a 39-20 halftime lead. Jenna Fernandez led the Tigers with 18, while Gretchen Haehl added 11 as she hit all three three-pointers she attempted. Emily Marshall had nine points and nine rebounds, while Cassie Pruzin dished out seven assists. The Tigers shot 42.3 percent for the game and held the Lynx to 33.3 percent. DePauw held a 55-28 edge on the boards including 23 offensive boards which led to 33 second chance points. In the win over Birmingham-Southern, DePauw used a 12-0 run midway through the first half to extend a six-point lead to 31-13 as it took a 33-20 advantage into the break. The Panthers closed the gap to 10 early in the second half, but DePauw scored 10 straight at the start of a 14-2 run. BSC got as close as 15 at 51-36, but the Tigers outscored the guests 23-7 over a seven-minute stretch to grab their biggest lead at 74-43. Fernandez paced the Tigers with a game-high 20 points, nine rebounds and three steals, while Pruzin dropped in 15 points, seven rebounds and a game-high five assists. Andrea Travelstead added 10 in the win.

Hendrix swept a pair of SCAC home affairs this weekend with a 66-61 win over Austin College on Friday and a 83-76 win over Colorado College on Sunday. The Warriors are now 13-9 overall and 6-6 in SCAC play. First year Christina Byler scored a team-high 25 points and pulled down eight rebounds in the Warriors' on Friday night. The Warriors captured their first lead with 16:55 left in the first half and would give up that advantage just once for the remainder of the contest. Austin opened the second half with a 13-7 run and grabbed a short-lived lead with 13:29 left in regulation, but the Warriors snatched the lead back on a layup seconds later. Hendrix shot 50 percent from the field in the second half, compared to the Kangaroos' 35.7 percent shooting. Byler was 6-of-16 from the field including 3-of-5 from behind the arc and 10-of-11 from the penalty stripe. Lindsay Merritt posted her first career double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds in the Warriors' victory on Sunday afternoon – avenging a 70-59 loss to Colorado on Jan. 12 in Colorado Springs, Colo. Hendrix shot a blistering 56.5 percent from the field in the second half. The Warriors won the war in the paint, 30-22, while their bench outscored the opposition 34-9. Byler led the team with 23 points on 7-of-12 shooting, while sophomore Wyanne Hawkins tallied 17 points and was 3-of-6 from three-point range.

NATIONAL POLLS

D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25
www.d3hoops.com

Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	O29	DePauw.....	5
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
1	N27	DePauw.....	8
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
2	D4	DePauw.....	8
		Oglethorpe.....	25
3	D11	DePauw.....	7
		Oglethorpe.....	19
		Trinity.....	RV
4	D18	DePauw.....	6
		Oglethorpe.....	17
		Trinity.....	RV
5	J2	DePauw.....	12
		Oglethorpe.....	25
6	J7	DePauw.....	12
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
7	J14	DePauw.....	13
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
		Trinity.....	RV
8	J21	DePauw.....	15
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
9	J28	DePauw.....	13
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
10	F4	DePauw.....	12
		Oglethorpe.....	RV

USA TODAY/ESPN DIVISION III TOP 25 COACHES POLL
www.wbca.org

Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	O31	DePauw.....	2
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
1	N27	DePauw.....	8
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
2	D4	DePauw.....	8
		Oglethorpe.....	25
3	D11	DePauw.....	8
		Oglethorpe.....	17
4	D18	DePauw.....	6
		Oglethorpe.....	15
		B'ham-Southern.....	RV
5	J2	DePauw.....	12
		Oglethorpe.....	19
6	J8	DePauw.....	11
		Oglethorpe.....	24
7	J15	DePauw.....	17
		Oglethorpe.....	T22
		B'ham-Southern.....	RV
8	J22	DePauw.....	17
		Oglethorpe.....	22
		B'ham-Southern.....	RV
9	J29	DePauw.....	14
		Oglethorpe.....	22
		B'ham-Southern.....	RV
10	F5	DePauw.....	13
		Oglethorpe.....	RV

AROUND THE SCAC

Millsaps managed a weekend split over the weekend at home to finish up a five-game homestand with a 2-3 mark and leave an outside shot at the SCAC Tournament in Conway, Ark. Junior Crystal Dickerson had a very balanced weekend for the Majors on the stat sheet, averaging 9.5 points, 5.5 rebounds, 5.5 assists and 4.0 steals. In a tight game on Friday night against Colorado College, Millsaps went ice cold in the second half to fall late 51-43 despite a huge night from junior Jessica Bowie who pumped in 13 points, 10 rebounds and seven blocks. The Majors trailed by just two at the break, 22-20, but couldn't find their rhythm in the second period en route to 28 percent shooting. In another game down to the wire on Sunday against Austin College, Millsaps held off a strong push late to come away with a 76-73 victory. In an exciting game that featured 14 lead changes and seven ties, it was Bowie's clutch jumper with 1:28 remaining and LaReina Adams' three free throws that gave the Majors their final lead of the game. With three games left on the conference slate, Millsaps will likely have to win 2 of 3 to have a shot at the fourth and final playoff spot in the West. The Majors travel to Trinity and Southwestern University this weekend.

Oglethorpe won its only game of the week on Saturday night as they downed Sewanee, 77-61. The Petrels held the Tigers to 36% shooting and out-rebounded Sewanee 41-30 to improve their overall record to 18-3; 9-2 in the conference – good for second place in the SCAC East behind DePauw. OU got outstanding performances from three members of its junior class: Katie Kulavic, Tina Grace and Anna Findley. Kulavic, a preseason All-American candidate from Norcross, Ga., hit for 19 points, six assists, five rebounds and two steals. Grace, from Pensacola, Fla., was nearly perfect on the evening, going 9 of 10 from the field, 1 of 1 from behind the arc and 2 for 2 from the line for 21 points and seven rebounds. Findley, meanwhile, established a school record and tied an SCAC mark by notching an incredible 11 steals in the contest. The junior from Hiram, Ga., also recorded a game-high 23 points. Her 11 steals matched that of Jenna Smith from Trinity in a win over Centre on Jan. 11, 2004.

Rhodes lost a 67-64 double overtime heartbreaker to Centre in Danville, Ky., on Sunday. Senior guard Ashley Farrell once again led the Lynx with 23 points. Farrell's two free throws with 17 seconds to play in the first overtime tied the game at 56-56, and had a three-point shot at the buzzer of the second overtime that fell short to tie the game again. Farrell is nine rebounds short of becoming only the fourth player in league history to score 1,500 points and grab over 500 rebounds. Farrell currently has scored 1,561 points and has pulled down 491 rebounds in her career. The Lynx will honor their six seniors this Friday night after their 6 p.m. game against the Sewanee.

Anne Wills, a junior from Thomson, Ga. helped **Sewanee** go 1-1 on the week, including a big win over regional rival Maryville (Tenn.) on Wednesday. Wills is averaging 10.5 points per game and helped her totals this week. She averaged 13.5 points per game this week and led the Tigers against Maryville with 16. The Tigers also took a loss to Oglethorpe on Saturday. Dickie McCarthy's squad is 8-13 so far and is 3-8 in the SCAC. The Tigers will face Rhodes and Birmingham-Southern on the road this weekend.

Southwestern fell short in conference play on Friday as the Pirates were out-lasted by Trinity in Georgetown. SU led for most of the first half but the Tigers managed to take the lead in the second half and not relinquish it over the final 14 minutes. The Pirates cut the lead to three multiple times late in the game but got no closer as they fell 67-60. Then, on Sunday, Southwestern stepped out of conference play for a home game against the University of Dallas. The Pirates got a season-high 28 points from Natasha Azizi and another 10 from Beth Thomas, but it wasn't enough. SU took a 37-28 lead in to the half but the Crusaders came out and shot 60 percent (12-20) from the floor, connecting on 4-6 from three-point range and 12-18 from the free throw line. Southwestern falls below .500 for the first time since the Pirates were 0-1 to start the season. The Pirates will play their last home games of the season next weekend as they host Millsaps on Friday and Hendrix on Saturday.

Trinity defeated both Southwestern and Dallas over the weekend, remaining atop the SCAC West Division standings and improving the team's overall record to 15-5 this season. Trinity won 67-60 over Southwestern on Friday, led by a double-double by Krista Prato Matthews. Prato Matthews finished with 21 points and 14 rebounds in the game, as well as collecting four steals and three blocks. Tierney Hughes finished with 12 points and nine rebounds, and three other players scored eight points in the game – including Rachel Snyder's eight points and three assists. Snyder sparked the team to a lopsided 85-48 win over Dallas the next night, scoring a career-high 22 points on 8 of 12 shooting. She also set a new career-high with five steals in the game, and tied her previous best with six assists. Prato Matthews earned her second straight double-double, collecting 12 points and 12 rebounds in the game, while Alexandra Blake added 15 points on 6 of 11 shooting. Trinity will host Hendrix and Millsaps this weekend in the final regular season home games of the year. The Tigers swept both teams on the road earlier this season. The Tigers have now won 11 of the past 12 against Hendrix and are now 19-11 in the series. Trinity is 23-14 against Millsaps overall, winning 22 of the past 23 games in the series. The last loss was in 2000-01, when Millsaps earned a season series split with a 71-63 win.