



SCAC HOOPS WEEKLY

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

SOUTHERN COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

NCAA Division III

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2008 SCAC Women's Championship Tournament
[\(official website\)](#)

- 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

DECEMBER 3, 2007

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Games through December 2 (Sunday)

EASTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Oglethorpe University	1	0	1.000	5	0	1.000	W5
DePauw University	1	0	1.000	4	1	0.800	W1
Sewanee-Univ. of the South	1	0	0.000	4	2	0.667	L1
Centre College	0	1	0.000	2	3	0.400	L3
Rhodes College	0	2	0.000	3	3	0.500	L2
*Birmingham-Southern	0	0	0.000	5	2	0.714	W1

WESTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Trinity University	2	0	1.000	6	1	0.857	W3
Hendrix College	1	0	1.000	4	1	0.800	W1
Southwestern University	1	1	0.500	4	2	0.667	W1
Colorado College	1	1	0.500	3	3	0.500	L1
Millsaps College	0	1	0.000	2	3	0.400	W1
Austin College	0	2	0.000	1	6	0.143	L6

*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, December 3 – Sunday, December 9

Tuesday, December 4

Colorado Christian University @ Colorado College 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 5

Augustana (Ill.) College @ DePauw 7 p.m.
Sewanee @ Piedmont (Ga.) College 6 p.m.

Thursday, December 6

University of Texas-Dallas @ Austin College 6 p.m.
Emory (Ga.) University @ Oglethorpe 6 p.m.

Friday, December 7

Piedmont (Ga.) College @ Millsaps 6 p.m.

Saturday, December 8

University of the Ozarks (Ark.) @ Hendrix 2 p.m.
Louisiana College @ Millsaps 5 p.m.
LaGrange (Ga.) College @ Oglethorpe 6 p.m.
Sewanee @ Agnes Scott (Ga.) College 2 p.m.
Southwestern @ University of Dallas 3 p.m.

Sunday, December 9

Spring Hill (Ala.) College @ Birmingham-Southern 2 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
- Week 5
- Week 6
- Week 7
- Week 8
- Week 9
- Week 10
- Week 11
- Week 12
- Week 13

SCAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Games of November 26 – December 2

KATIE KULAVIC OF OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY, a 5-7, junior guard from Norcross, Ga., has been selected the SCAC Women's Basketball Player-of-the-Week for games played from Monday, November 26 through Sunday, December 2.

Kulavic led the Petrels to a 2-0 weekend - extending OU's home conference winning streak to a program-best nine games.

In Friday's 75-72 win over Birmingham Southern, **Kulavic** recorded a double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds, and also added five assists. She sank 7 of 12 attempts from the floor and was a perfect 3 of 3 from the free-throw line. In Sunday's 96-59 victory over Rhodes, she tallied 16 points, seven rebounds, five assists and three steals in just 19 minutes of action.

For the weekend, **Kulavic** averaged 16.5 points, 9.0 rebounds, 5.0 assists and 2.0 steals per game while playing just 27 minutes per game. She shot 56.5% from the floor (13-23), 66.7% from beyond the three-point line (2-3) and was a perfect 5 of 5 from the free-throw line.

Kulavic is averaging a team-best 16.8 points per game (fifth in the SCAC) and is 14th in the league in rebounding at 6.4 per game. She leads the SCAC in field goal percentage at 66.0%. The season is still early, but **Kulavic** would be the first guard to lead the league in field goal percentage since Alyson Welch of Millsaps in 1993-94.

She is also seventh in the SCAC in assists (3.6 per game) and fourth in free throw percentage (83.3%). **Kulavic** is just 26 points away from becoming the 55th player in SCAC history to score 1,000 career points.

Other outstanding performances in the SCAC:

Junior guard Cassie Pruzin of DePauw had a career-high 23 points in Saturday's 80-55 win at Centre. She was 6 of 10 from the field, including 4 of 6 from three-point range. Pruzin was also 7 of 8 from three-point range with five rebounds, three assists and two steals in 30 minutes of action. Sophomore forward Christina Byler of Hendrix posted game-highs with 21 points against Rhodes and 28 points against Millsaps - averaging 24.5 points on the weekend as the Warriors went 1-1. Byler pulled down eight rebounds in each contest. Senior forward Courtney Childress of Sewanee had three double-doubles on the week, averaging 14.3 points and 12.3 rebounds per game. Childress, who shot 57.1% on the week (20-35), had 17 points, 14 rebounds and five steals against Tennessee Temple, 11 points and 10 rebounds against Rhodes and 15 points, 13 rebounds and three steals against Birmingham-Southern. Senior guard Tierney Hughes of Trinity led the Tigers to a pair of wins over the weekend, opening up conference play at home against Austin College and Colorado College. Hughes averaged 12.5 points, 3.0 rebounds, and 2.5 steals for the two games, scoring in double figures in both games. She hit 8 of 18 (44.4%) from the field for the weekend, which includes 5 of 12 (41.7%) shooting from three-point range. She also hit all four free throw attempts. In Friday's win over Austin College, Hughes scored 14 points and recorded four steals. She followed that with an 11-point performance in just 21 minutes of action against Colorado College on Sunday. For the season, Hughes is fourth on the team with 8.4 points per game and sixth on the team with 2.9 rebounds per game. She is shooting 42% from the field on the year, and leads the team in three-point shooting - hitting 40.0% (12-30) from beyond the arc. Junior forward Crystal Dickerson of Millsaps averaged 16.0 points, 6.5 rebounds, 2.0 assists and 2.0 steals to help the Majors to a split over the weekend, knocking down 11-of-18 shots (61 percent) from the floor and 10-of-14 from the charity stripe. The junior forward leads the Millsaps offense in the early going through five games, averaging 13.2 points and 10.2 rebounds per game to go along with a team-high 13 assists. Junior guard Melanie Auguste of Colorado College led the team in scoring for both games this weekend, including a 20-point showing in a victory over Southwestern on Friday. Auguste, second in career assists at CC, tallied seven assists in the two games, along with 15 rebounds and six steals. Sophomore forward Katy Williams of Austin College continued her strong start to the season by averaging a double-double in the first two conference games of the season. Williams put up 19 points and 12 rebounds per game against Trinity and Southwestern, including a 19-point, 15-rebound effort in a close loss to the Pirates. Centre, Rhodes and Southwestern did not nominate anyone for the award.

RESULTS

Games of November 26 – December 2

Monday, November 26

Mississippi College 60, Millsaps 55

Tuesday, November 27

Oglethorpe 86, Piedmont 67

Sewanee 79, Tennessee Temple 63

Rhodes 72, Hendrix 63

Wednesday, November 28

Birmingham-Southern 100, Judson (Ala.) 33

Friday, November 30

OGLETHORPE 75, B'HAM-SOUTHERN 72

TRINITY 64, AUSTIN COLLEGE 50

SEWANEE 59, RHODES 51

COLO. COLLEGE 64, SOUTHWESTERN 59

Saturday, December 1

#8 DEPAUW 80, CENTRE 55

HENDRIX 88, MILLSAPS 79

SOUTHWESTERN 50, AUSTIN COLLEGE 47

Sunday, December 2

OGLETHORPE 96, RHODES 59

TRINITY 80, COLORADO COLLEGE 52

B'HAM-SOUTHERN 69, SEWANEE 55

Millsaps 57, Univ. of Dallas 41

SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

D3hoops.com ranking noted when applicable

AROUND THE SCAC

Austin College saw its winless streak increase to six games after a pair of SCAC losses to Trinity (64-50) and Southwestern (50-47). Katy Williams had team-highs of 19 points in both contests – and added 15 rebounds in Saturday's loss to Southwestern. She is tied for the league lead in scoring – averaging 18.6 points per game. The 'Roos shot just 29.4% in the two games and managed just 15 points in the first half on Saturday. Austin hosts University of Texas-Dallas on Thursday.

Birmingham-Southern went 2-1 this past week, defeating Judson (Ala.) College at home, Wednesday, 100-33, losing a close one to Oglethorpe on the road, Friday, 75-72, and defeating Sewanee on the road, Sunday, 69-55. In Sunday's game, senior Reba Ross scored a career-high 29 points, and junior Danielle Harbor posted a career-high 14 points and 10 rebounds for her first career double-double.

After opening the season with two straight wins, the **Centre** women have now lost three straight games, falling to DePauw 80-55 in the SCAC-opener for both teams. The Colonels have now dropped its last eight games to the Tigers after shooting only 38.9% (21-54) from the field Saturday. DePauw also made 14 more free throws in the game (20-6) while forcing 10 more turnovers (22-12). Centre will take a week off from game competition for finals and then return to action Wednesday, Dec. 12 for a non-conference game against Spalding in Louisville, Ky.

Colorado College won its first-ever SCAC game on Friday, a 64-59 road win over Southwestern University. Senior forward Paige Whitney scored 15 points against Trinity on Sunday, and moved into ninth on the CC career scoring list with 972 points, one point out of eighth. Melanie Auguste had seven assists in two games to pull within 55 of the school record for career assists with 272. Auguste also moved into seventh in career steals with 135. Colorado College hosts Colorado Christian University on Tuesday.

#8 DePauw bounced back from its first loss in almost a year and defeated Centre 80-55 in its only action of the week. Cassie Pruzin and Jenna Fernandez each notched career highs with 23 and 21 points, respectively. An 8-0 run midway through the first half pushed the Tigers' lead to 20-8 on the way to a 40-21 halftime advantage. DePauw put the game away early in the second half after opening with an 11-0 run. Pruzin was held scoreless over the first 13 minutes of the contest, but scored 12 over the last seven minutes of the first half on the way to her career-high 23. Fernandez scored the Tigers' first 10 of the game on the way to her 21. Gretchen Haehl added 10 on 4-of-4 shooting from the floor including a pair of threes and added a game-high five assists. DePauw shot 49.1 percent for the game and knocked down 6-of-11 three-pointers.

Hendrix split a pair of contests this week as the Warriors dropped a 72-63 affair to Rhodes College on Tuesday and defeated Millsaps College, 88-79, on Saturday. Hendrix lost its first game of the season to Rhodes in a result that will not count towards SCAC standings. Warriors sophomore Christina Byler tallied a game-high 21 points and pulled down eight rebounds, while sophomore Wyvonne Hawkins added 13 points and a game-best four steals. Junior Samantha Clark posted team-highs in rebounds (10) and assists (3). Hendrix improved to 4-1 on Saturday in its SCAC season-opener against Millsaps. The Warriors were led by Hawkins, who finished the game with 22 points and a game-high six steals, while Byler finished with a game-high 28 points and pulled down eight rebounds. Sophomore Amanda Morris tallied 20 points and dished out a game-high six assists.

NATIONAL, REGIONAL POLLS

D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25

www.d3hoops.com

Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	O29	DePauw.....	5
		Oglethorpe.....	RV
1	N27	DePauw.....	8
		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

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

Millsaps earned a weekend split with a convincing 57-41 win over the University of Dallas on Sunday after a conference-opening loss to Hendrix, 88-79, on Saturday in Conway. Junior Tiffany Whitmore notched a career-high 21 points on 8-of-15 shooting to pace the Millsaps offense against the Lady Warriors, while Jessica Bowie scored nine points and grabbed 14 rebounds to go along with a career-high six blocks to lead the Majors to their second victory of the season in Jackson to improve to 2-0. Millsaps will continue a stretch of three-straight home games this weekend, playing host to Piedmont College and Louisiana College.

Oglethorpe swept its three games this past weekend, defeating Piedmont, Birmingham-Southern and Rhodes by an average of just under 20 points. The 75-72 win over BSC on Friday was especially impressive, considering the former Division I Panthers returned seven players – including First Team Big South performer Reba Ross – from its team that finished sixth in the Big South Conference last season. OU is 5-0 to start the year – its best start to a season in program history. Katie Kulavic paced the Petrels in scoring each game this week – averaging 17.7 points and 7.0 rebounds per game. She shot an amazing 57.1% from the field and leads the league in field goal percentage. OU is averaging a league-best 86.8 points per game.

Rhodes started the week with a 72-63 non-conference win over Hendrix before dropping two road SCAC contests at Sewanee (59-51) and at Oglethorpe (96-59). The Lynx have shot the ball progressively worse all season – with field goal percentages of 42.9, 41.7, 38.9, 37.9, 33.3 and 32.3 percent in their six games. Senior guard Ashley Farrell, who had 41 points in the team's three games, moved into 15th place on the SCAC all-time scoring list with 1,323 career points. She is the league's leading active scorer and currently the only active player in the SCAC with more than 1,000 career points.

Sewanee went 2-1 this past week, moving to 4-2 overall and 1-0 in conference play after a win Friday against Rhodes. The Tigers look to pick up a few more wins this week as they play Piedmont on Wednesday and Agnes Scott on Saturday – both on the road. One of the players to watch this week is Courtney Childress, who went 20 of 35 from the field this week (57.1%). She had a double-double in all three games that the Tigers played this past week – averaging 14.3 points and 12.3 rebounds per contest.

Southwestern went 1-1 on the first weekend of SCAC play, falling to Colorado College 64-59 and defeating Austin College 50-47. On Friday against the Tigers, SU got 22 points from Natasha Azizi and 16 from Jessica Hoch but that was not enough to help the Pirates overcome 40 percent shooting from the floor and 41 percent shooting from behind the three-point line. The next night, Southwestern forced the Roos in to 21 turnovers and held off a late rally for the three-point win. Senior Kelli Hill led the team with 11 points. The Pirates travel to Irving, Texas, for a Saturday match-up with the University of Dallas this week.

Trinity swept its opening SCAC weekend of the year, defeating both Austin College and Colorado College to improve to 6-1 on the season. Trinity trailed by one at the half against Austin College on Friday, but used a 44-29 scoring edge in the second to pull away with the win. Krista Prato Matthews finished with 22 points and 13 rebounds in the game, also blocking six shots. Tierney Hughes added 14 points and four steals, while Danielle Hubenak finished with 10 points, four rebounds, and five assists for the Tigers. On Sunday, Trinity was once again behind in the first half, trailing 24-17 with 8:35 to play in the period. The defense stepped it up in a big way, though, and didn't allow another point during a 14-0 run to take a halftime lead. The Tigers never looked back in the game, leading by as many as 31 points. Alexandra Blake turned in her best career performance, eclipsing her personal bests with 20 points and 11 rebounds in the game. Blake hit 7-12 from the field and 5-5 free throws. Meghan Scholbe added 14 points, while Hughes and Prato Matthews finished with 11 each. Trinity will be back in action at the Trinity University Holiday Classic on December 28-29 against Elmhurst College and Carthage College. It will be the Tigers' first meeting against either team since before the 1991-92 season.