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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL REPORT

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2006 SEASON REVIEW

	<u>Conf.</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Pct.</u>
Trinity	17-1	0.944	34-7	0.829
Rhodes	15-3	0.833	29-12	0.707
Austin	14-4	0.778	34-8	0.810
Southwestern	13-5	0.722	30-9	0.769
DePauw	11-7	0.611	20-14	0.588
Centre	7-11	0.389	18-24	0.429
Sewanee	5-13	0.278	7-26	0.212
Millsaps	4-14	0.222	13-23	0.361
Oglethorpe	3-15	0.167	9-29	0.237
Hendrix	1-17	0.056	13-26	0.333

SCAC Champion
 Trinity University

NCAA Championship Participants

Austin College	
<u>First Round (11/9)</u>	
def. Hardin-Simmons	3-2
<u>Second Round (11/10)</u>	
lost to Emory	3-2
Rhodes College	
<u>First Round (11/9)</u>	
def. Webster (Mo.)	3-2
<u>Second Round (11/10)</u>	
def. Simpson	3-2
<u>Region Final (11/11)</u>	
def. Washington (Mo.)	3-0
Southwestern University	
<u>First Round (11/9)</u>	
def. Averett	3-0
<u>Second Round (11/10)</u>	
lost to Trinity	3-0
Trinity University	
<u>Second Round (11/10)</u>	
def. Southwestern	3-0
<u>Region Final (11/11)</u>	
def. Emory	3-1
<u>National Quarterfinals (11/16)</u>	
lost to Wittenberg	3-0

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CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Games through November 4 (Sunday)

	Conference			Overall			Streak
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	
#Trinity	15	0	1.000	34	2	0.944	W5
Austin	13	2	0.867	37	5	0.881	L1
Southwestern	8	6	0.571	29	11	0.725	W1
DePauw	8	6	0.571	24	13	0.649	L2
Colorado College	10	4	0.714	22	10	0.688	W2
Rhodes	10	4	0.714	20	16	0.556	L1
Centre	6	9	0.400	18	21	0.462	W1
Millsaps	6	9	0.400	17	25	0.405	L3
Hendrix	2	13	0.133	16	19	0.457	W2
Oglethorpe	2	12	0.143	9	28	0.243	L2
Sewanee	0	15	0.000	2	20	0.091	L2
*Birmingham-Southern	0	0	0.000	31	3	0.912	W13

#SCAC Tournament Champion
 Conference standings based on tournament finish.

*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, November 5 – Sunday, November 11

NCAA Division III Women's Volleyball Tournament

South Region – hosted by Austin College, Sherman, Texas

Thursday, November 8

Southwestern (29-11) vs. Washington & Lee (Va.) University (29-5)	3:30 p.m.
Austin College (37-4) vs. Texas Lutheran University (22-6)	8:30 p.m.

Friday, November 9

Trinity (34-2) vs. Southwestern/Washington & Lee winner	4:30 p.m.
Austin/Texas Lutheran winner vs. Piedmont/Emory winner	7 p.m.

Saturday, November 10

South Region Final	7 p.m.
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NCAA Division III Women's Volleyball Tournament

West Region – hosted by California State East Bay – Hayward, Calif.

Thursday, November 8

Colorado College (22-10) vs. Cal State East Bay (28-4)	7 p.m.
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Friday, November 9

Univ. of La Verne (26-6) vs. Colorado College/Cal St. East Bay winner	7 p.m.
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Saturday, November 10

West Region Final	7 p.m.
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All times local

**2007 WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL
PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

- Week 1 Anna Clithero, Colo. College
- Week 2 Kaitlin Listol, Austin College
- Week 3 Leslie Schornack, Trinity
- Week 4 Morgan Ballard, Austin College
Leslie Schornack, Trinity
- Week 5 Laura Jensen, Rhodes
- Week 6 Caroline Keener, Trinity
Kaitlin Listol, Austin College
- Week 7 Sara Buros, Trinity
Jessica Phillips, Austin College
- Week 8 Sarah Burger, Centre
Kim Hamer, DePauw
- Week 9 Audra Gentry, Southwestern

RESULTS

Games of October 29 – November 4

Tuesday, October 30

- Oglethorpe def. LaGrange 3-1
- Christian Brothers def. Rhodes 3-1
- Transylvania def. Centre 3-1
- Colorado Mines def. Colorado College 3-1

Wednesday, October 31

- Southwestern def. Mary Hardin-Baylor 3-0

Friday, November 2

- Southwestern def. Sewanee 3-0
- Millsaps def. Oglethorpe 3-0
- DePauw def. #23 Colorado College 3-0
- Centre def. Hendrix 3-1
- Southwestern def. Rhodes 3-1
- #3 Trinity def. Millsaps 3-0
- #12 Austin College def. Centre 3-0

Saturday, November 3

- #23 Colorado College def. Millsaps 3-1
- Hendrix def. Sewanee 3-0
- Rhodes def. Centre 3-1
- #3 Trinity def. DePauw 3-0
- #12 Austin College def. Southwestern 3-0
- Hendrix def. Oglethorpe 3-1
- Centre def. Millsaps 3-1
- #23 Colorado College def. Rhodes 3-0
- Southwestern def. DePauw 3-0
- #3 Trinity def. #12 Austin College 3-2
- Birmingham-Southern def. North Alabama 3-2

SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

AVCA ranking noted when applicable

**2007 SCAC VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP
All-Tournament Team**

November 2 – November 3

SARA BUROS – Trinity University

Most Valuable Player

11 Games, 41 kills (3.37 per game), nine errors, 74 total attacks, .432 hitting percentage
8 assists, 2 service aces, 7 total blocks (0.64 per game), 31 digs (2.82 per game)

CAROLINE KEENER – Trinity University

11 Games, 10 kills, 0 errors, 27 total attacks, .370 hitting percentage
127 assists (11.55 per game), 2 service aces, 4 total blocks, 17 digs

LESLIE SCHORNACK – Trinity University

11 Games, 25 kills (2.27 per game), 4 errors, 50 total attacks, .420 hitting percentage
11 total blocks (1.00 per game), 4 digs

KAITLIN LISTOL – Austin College

11 Games, 48 kills (4.36 per game), 16 errors, 113 total attacks, .283 hitting percentage
12 assists, 4 service aces, 7 total blocks (0.64 per game), 50 digs (4.55 per game)

ASHLEY HUMMEL – Austin College

11 Games, 28 kills (2.55 per game), 7 errors, 68 total attacks, .309 hitting percentage
12 total blocks (1.09 per game), 3 digs

MARIE BRUCE – Southwestern University

13 Games, 24 kills (1.85 per game), 5 errors, 58 total attacks, .328 hitting percentage
124 assists (9.54 per game), 7 service aces (0.54 per game), 39 digs (3.00 per game)

KIM HAMER – DePauw University

9 Games, 26 kills (2.89 per game), 5 errors, 67 total attacks, .313 hitting percentage
1 service ace, 8 total blocks (0.89 per game), 5 digs

2007 SCAC TOURNAMENT FINISH

- 1- Trinity University
- 2- Austin College
- 3- Southwestern University
- 4- DePauw University
- 5- Colorado College
- 6- Rhodes College
- 7- Centre College
- 8- Millsaps College
- 9- Hendrix College
- 10- Oglethorpe University
- 11- Sewanee-University of the South

AROUND THE SCAC

No. 11 Austin College secured a berth in the NCAA Division III Volleyball Championship Tournament after posting a 37-5 record and reaching the championship match of the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament, and will host this weekend's South Regional at Hughey Gymnasium starting on Thursday. The 'Roos earned the No. 3-seed in the region, and will take on No. 6-seed Texas Lutheran University on Thursday night at 8:30 p.m. After advancing to the title game with 3-0 sweeps of Centre and Southwestern, Austin College stormed out to a 2-0 lead over Trinity in the championship match. However, Trinity took the next two to set up a winner-take-all fifth game. Austin College had three match points at 14-11, but could not secure the win and the Tigers held on for a 17-15 win. Kaitlin Listol and Ashley Hummel were both named to the SCAC All-Tournament team for their performances over the weekend. Listol, who was named the SCAC Player-of-the-Year on Friday night, broke the single-season kills record for the conference later that evening. She now has 677 kills – besting the old mark of 641 by Amy Waddell of Trinity (1992).

Birmingham-Southern played only match this week, an exciting five-game victory over in-state rival North Alabama. The Panthers, who stand at 31-3 on the season, play their last match this Tuesday against Bryan College in Bill Battle Coliseum. Prior to the game, coach Pavlina Steffkova will be honored for her selection to the NJCAA Hall of Fame Class of 2007.

Centre entered the SCAC tournament as the No. 7 seed and left in seventh place after defeating Millsaps in its last match on Saturday. Senior Sarah Burger finished her four-year volleyball career at Centre by being named to her fourth consecutive All-SCAC team. Burger was named to the all-SCAC First Team for the third time in four years after finishing second in the league in kills per game with 4.49 and third in the SCAC in hitting efficiency at .340. For her career, Burger amassed 2,193 kills, placing her second all-time for career kills in conference history; just 29 shy of the record. The Colonels ended the season with an 18-21 overall record and a 6-9 mark in the SCAC.

No. 25 Colorado College earned its school record 10th consecutive NCAA tournament appearance and will face long-time independent rival Cal State East Bay in a first-round match at 7 p.m. Thursday in Hayward, Calif. Colorado College owns an all-time record of 7-16 in the NCAA Tournament, including a 3-9 mark under head coach Rick Swan. The Tigers finished the regular season with a 22-10 record, the fifth consecutive season Colorado College has won 20 or more matches. The 22 victories ties the 2001 team for eighth place in the program's 29-year history for the most victories in a single season. Freshman middle blocker Emily Perkins finished the SCAC Tournament with 390 kills, which ties Anna Clithero's freshman record for kills in a single season. Meryn Grant had seven service aces during CC's three matches, leaving her two short of Amy Smith's single-season record of 69 set in 1985. Clithero had 30 kills to become only the third player in the program's history to go over 1,200 career kills. She finished the weekend with 1,215, which ranks third on CC's career list. Clithero had 44 digs to finish the weekend with 418, joining Kristina Rogers as the only non-libero's to record 400 or more digs in a single season twice. She ranks third with 1,206 career digs.

DePauw advanced to the SCAC Volleyball semifinals following a 3-0 upset win over 23rd-ranked Colorado College in quarterfinal action at Austin College on Friday. Kim Hamer led the Tigers with 13 kills and three blocks, while Adrienne Cobb added 10 kills. Sarah Drew finished with 35 assists and Loren Sloan recorded a team-high 15 digs. But the Tigers dream of a SCAC title ended the following day with a 3-0 loss to top seed and third-ranked Trinity. DePauw was then defeated 3-0 by Southwestern to finish fourth in the first SCAC Volleyball Tournament since 1999. Kim Hamer was named First Team All-SCAC on Friday night as well as to the All-Tournament team. She finished her career with 529 career blocks – good for fifth all-time on the SCAC career list.

Hendrix competed in three matches during the SCAC Championship Tournament. The Warriors opened the tournament with a 3-1 loss to Centre on Friday and ended the tournament with a pair of wins over the University of the South, 3-0, and Oglethorpe, 3-1. Against Centre, Warriors' first-year Becca Clancy tallied a match-high 20 kills, while first year Kim Larson added 16. Sophomore Patty Hill paced the squad with 57 assists and sophomore Jessica Varnell collected a match-high 36 digs. In Saturday's sweep of Sewanee, Larson paced the squad with 12 kills, 12 digs and four aces. Clancy also tallied 12 kills in the match, while Hill collected 34 assists. The tenth-seeded Warriors finished their season later that day

NATIONAL POLLS

AVCA TOP 25
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Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	A21	Trinity.....	7
		Rhodes.....	13
		Austin.....	14
		Southwestern.....	19
		Colo. College.....	RV
1	S11	Trinity.....	7
		Austin.....	12
		Southwestern.....	15
		Rhodes.....	RV
2	S18	Trinity.....	5
		Austin.....	17
		Southwestern.....	18
		Rhodes.....	RV
		Colorado College...	RV
3	S25	Trinity.....	5
		Austin.....	16
		Southwestern.....	19
		Rhodes.....	RV
		Colorado College...	RV
4	O2	Trinity.....	5
		Austin.....	16
		Southwestern.....	18
		Colorado College...	RV
		Rhodes.....	RV
5	O9	Trinity.....	4
		Austin.....	14
		Southwestern.....	23
		Colorado College...	RV
		Rhodes.....	RV
6	O16	Trinity.....	3
		Austin.....	13
		Colorado College...	25
		Southwestern.....	RV
		Rhodes.....	RV
7	O23	Trinity.....	3
		Austin.....	12
		Colorado College...	24
8	O30	Trinity.....	3
		Austin.....	12
		Colorado College...	23
9	N6	Trinity.....	3
		Austin.....	11
		Colorado College...	T25
		Southwestern.....	RV

For complete team and individual statistics and box scores for all games, click to the official website of SCAC Women's Volleyball:

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AROUND THE SCAC

with a victory over No. 9 Oglethorpe for ninth place in the SCAC Championship Tournament. Larson had 10 kills, 11 digs and three aces against OU and Hill led the squad with 37 assists, while Varnell had a team-high 16 digs. **Hendrix** ends its season with a 16-19 overall record and 4-14 conference mark – improving on last year's mark of 13-25 overall record and 1-17 in the league.

Millsaps lost three-straight matches in the SCAC Tournament in Sherman, Texas, to end its season after winning their first over No. 9 seed Oglethorpe on Friday 3-0. The Majors gave Trinity a scare Friday afternoon in the last game, falling just 33-31, before back-to-back 3-1 losses to Colorado College and Centre. The Majors earned their best finish under third-year head coach Matt Linebarger with the OU win and will only lose one player from a very young and talented team.

Oglethorpe fell one win short of posting its first 10-win season since 2002. The Petrels end the 2007 campaign with a 9-28 mark after 0-2 outing at the SCAC Tournament. OU lost its first match to Millsaps, 3-0, and then fell to Hendrix, 3-1, in the ninth/10th place match. Sophomore setter Alison Burt finished seventh in the SCAC in service aces per game at 0.48 per game – the only Petrel to finish in the Top 10 in an offensive or defensive individual category in the final SCAC regular season rankings.

Rhodes had a disappointing sixth place finish at the SCAC Tournament after entering the event as the No. 3 seed. The Lynx were upset by No. 6 Southwestern in its first match. Laura Jensen led the way for the Lynx with nine kills, 56 assists and 15 digs. Junior Middle Blocker Allison Squires had 13 kills and five blocks, and Katherine Delavan anchored the back row defense with 30 digs. After a 3-1 victory over Centre, Rhodes was defeated 3-0 by Colorado College in the fifth/sixth match. Katherine Delavan and Allison Squires combined for 12 kills while Emily Sadtler had 16 digs to lead the defense for the Lynx. The 1-2 mark at the tourney was not enough to earn Rhodes its second consecutive NCAA tournament appearance. The Lynx finish the 2007 season with a 20-16 mark – the program's sixth consecutive 20+ win season

Sewanee wrapped up its season with two losses at the SCAC Tournament, falling in three straight to both Southwestern and to Hendrix in the 11th-place match. Sewanee's two overall wins are the fewest for a SCAC team since Hendrix went 1-7 in 2001 before disbanding its team.

Southwestern had a tune-up match before heading to Sherman, Texas for the SCAC Tournament as the Pirates hosted Mary Hardin-Baylor and came away with a 3-0 victory. As the #5 seed at the conference tournament, the Pirates opened with a 3-0 win over #11 Sewanee. Sophomore Audra Gentry totaled 15 kills in 22 attempts with just two errors in the match for a stellar .591 attack percentage. In the following match against #3 Rhodes, Southwestern held on for a 3-1 victory. Senior Marie Bruce dished out 46 assists, had nine digs and nine kills while four Pirates recorded double-digit kills. The Pirates took on host and #2 seed Austin College in the semifinals and lost in three. Then, in the third-place match, SU took down #5 DePauw in three games. The Pirates finished third in the conference and have been selected for their third straight NCAA Championship appearance. SU will face Washington & Lee in the opening round in Sherman, Texas.

No. 3 Trinity secured its 10th consecutive SCAC Championship with an improbable ending to the league's first conference tournament since 1999. After sweeping both Millsaps and DePauw in its first two matches, Trinity found itself matched up with hosting Austin College in the SCAC Championship match. The hometown 'Roos jumped on the Tigers early, winning 30-25 in the opening game and coming from behind to take a 33-31 win in game two, and a commanding 2-0 advantage in the match. Trinity would not go away easily, though, storming back to take game three 30-19. The Tigers then held off a rally by Austin College to win 30-26 and force a fifth game that would decide the SCAC champ and the automatic bid to the NCAA playoffs. The Tigers led 14-11 in the fifth, but couldn't finish off the 'Roos quickly, and the score was tied 14-14 in the fifth. After surviving three match points, Trinity finally came out ahead with a 17-15 victory to win the conference title. Sara Buros was named the Tournament MVP, and was joined by teammates Leslie Schornack and Caroline Keener on the All-Tournament team. Trinity will likely be headed back to Austin College for the NCAA Regionals this weekend.