2007-2008 RESULTS

**Opponent** | **Result** | **Record/(PAC)**
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at Wooster | W 65-64 | 1-0
Notre Dame (MD) | L 79-71 | 1-1
Lycoming | L 82-76 | 1-2
Notre Dame (MD) | W 90-58 | 2-1 (1-0)
at Centenary | W 68-62 | 3-2 (2-0)
at Wilkes | W 61-45 | 4-2
Lebanon Valley | L 53-50 | 4-3
Morningside (IA) | L 78-51 | 4-4
Schreiner | W 63-53 | 5-4
Cazenovia | W 62-35 | 6-4
Gwynedd-Mercy | L 76-58 | 6-5 (2-0)
Cedar Crest | W 66-35 | 7-5 (2-2)
at Neumann | W 52-51 | 8-5 (3-2)
Alvernia | W 69-61 | 9-5 (4-2)
at Cedar Crest | W 67-67 | 10-5 (5-2)
at Immaculata | W 75-42 | 11-5 (6-2)
Marywood | W 50-39 | 12-5 (7-2)
at Keystone | W 90-61 | 13-5
Eastern | W 80-59 | 14-5 (8-2)
at Marywood | W 55-44 | 15-5 (9-2)
at Rosemont | W 63-48 | 16-5 (10-2)
at Alvernia | L 67-57 | 16-6 (10-3)
Centenary | W 67-53 | 17-6 (11-3)
Cabrini | W 53-45 | 18-6 (12-3)
at Gwynned-Mercy | W 75-65 | 18-7 (12-4)
Neumann | W 55-49 | 19-7 (13-4)
* at Cabrini (L)F 57-49 | 19-8
* # at Pitt-Greensburg L 67-51 | 19-9
* # PAC Playoffs
* # ECAC Playoffs

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Other returnees include Katie Fox, Rachel Selert, Courtney Sykes, and Vanessa Wright.

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MISERICORDIA BELONGS TO NCAAs, MAC, ECAC

Misericordia University belongs to the NCAA Division III, Freedom Conference/Middle Atlantic States Athletics Corporation (MAC) and the Eastern College Athletic Conference.

- After competing in the MAC in swimming and track & field in 2007-08, MU is beginning its first full season in the Freedom Conference and MAC after 16 years as a member of the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference. Misericordia began ECAC and NCAA competition in 1992.

The MAC sponsors competition in 11 men’s sports: baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, indoor track & field, lacrosse, soccer, swimming, tennis and outdoor track & field; and 11 women’s sports: basketball, cross country, field hockey, indoor track & field, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, outdoor track & field and volleyball.

With approximately 430 members and 150,000 student-athletes competing annually, Division III is the largest of the NCAA’s three divisions.

Division III institutions place high priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and the successful completion of all students’ academic programs.

Formed in 1938, the ECAC is the nation’s largest athletic conference with more than 300 members in Divisions I, II and III from Maine to North Carolina.

ATHLETICS FACILITIES

The athletic facilities at Misericordia University are highlighted by the Anderson Sports-Health Center and the Anderson Outdoor Athletic Complex.

Since 1993, the Anderson Center has provided a home for the Cougars basketball, volleyball and swim teams.

The building houses the athletic department offices, campus health center and nursing, physical therapy and occupational therapy classrooms and laboratories.

The center features a six-lane swimming pool, indoor track, racquetball courts, fitness center and an aerobics/dance studio.

The Anderson Sports-Health Center attracts more than 75,000 visitors annually for recreational use.

Mangeldahl Field at the Anderson Athletic Complex was constructed in 2002 and serves as a home for the soccer, field hockey, lacrosse and track & field programs.

The complex features a synthetic grass field and a six-lane synthetic track which allows MU’s student-athletes to practice even when weather conditions are less than ideal.

Named for the late Dr. Robert S. and Geraldine Ruth Daley Anderson, the Anderson Sports-Health Center, Anderson Athletic Complex and Anderson Fields are tributes to their family’s commitment to Misericordia University.

Mangeldahl Field honors the dedication of Jack and Dorothy Mangeldahl to MU and the region.

The Misericordia tennis complex was built in 2004 as part of a gift by the M&T Foundation.

MISERICORDIA UNIVERSITY IN BRIEF

Misericordia University is a liberal arts based, co-educational Catholic institution serving both residential and commuting students.

Founded in 1924, Misericordia is the oldest four-year institution in Luzerne County and made the transition to University status in 2007.

Sponsored by the Religious Sisters of Mercy, MU is one of 18 Mercy institutions in the United States.

Misericordia welcomes individuals from all faiths and offers a variety of liberal arts and professional programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

MU offers 30 majors in three academic colleges: Arts and Sciences; Health Sciences; and Professional Studies and Social Sciences.

The University is dedicated to the values of the Sisters of Mercy: mercy, service, justice and hospitality. These values can be found throughout the University, from programs of study to services projects.

The hallmark of MU is a dedicated faculty and a high quality core liberal arts and sciences curriculum.

In addition to their diploma, MU students can participate in the school’s Guaranteed Placement Program. The GPA is a promise that, within six months of graduation, students will have a position in the career of their choice or be enrolled in graduate school, or the University will provide a paid internship in the student’s field of study.

With a total enrollment of 2,355 students, Misericordia offers the benefits of a small university with the scope of a larger institution.

Classroom size is purposefully small to ensure personalized attention and our 12:1 student/faculty ratio allows students and faculty to truly know one another. Approximately 82% of MU’s 94 full-time faculty hold a Ph.D. or other terminal degree.

In addition to academic pursuits, MU students participate in a wide range of athletic, recreational, spiritual, social and cultural activities with more than two dozen clubs organizations on campus.

MU sponsors 20 varsity sports including men’s soccer, cross country, basketball, swimming, golf, lacrosse, track & field, baseball, women’s soccer, volleyball, field hockey, cross-country, tennis, basketball, swimming, softball, lacrosse, track & field and cheerleading.

After 16 seasons of competition in the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference, the Cougars will make the move to the Freedom Conference and Middle Atlantic States Athletics Corporation.

MU won 29 championships during its PAC tenure and made the 2007-08 playoffs in field hockey, volleyball, men’s and women’s soccer, women’s tennis, men’s and women’s swimming, men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s baseball, and softball.

Located in Dallas, PA, MU’s 123-acre campus has a suburban atmosphere and is only nine miles from Wilkes-Barre and two hours from New York City and Philadelphia.

DAVE MARTIN
Athletic Director

Dave Martin is in his fifth year as director of athletics at Misericordia University.

In his first four seasons, the Cougars won seven Pennsylvania Athletic Conference championships and earned five NCAA tournament berths.

In addition, he guided the Cougars through the transition from the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference to the Freedom Conference and Middle Atlantic States Athletics Corporation (MAC).

He has also overseen the addition of men’s tennis as a varsity sport offering at MU.

Martin previously spent 14 seasons as head men’s basketball coach at Misericordia and served as associate athletic director and coordinator of athletic recruiting.

He led the Cougars to 11 Pennsylvania Athletic Conference playoff berths and two PAC finals appearances.

Martin compiled 178 career wins at MU and was a four-time PAC Coach of the Year.

A graduate of Wilkes University, Martin earned a master’s degree in education from Misericordia.

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On the Cover: Lacey DeGrav

DANCE MARTIN Head Coach

Tom Griffith is in his fifth season as head coach of the Misericordia University women’s basketball team.

He has guided the Cougars to a 64-41 record, including a 19-9 mark a year ago, including PAC and ECAC playoff berths.

Previously, he spent three seasons as an assistant with the MU men’s team and helped the Cougars to a 45-38 record and three consecutive Pennsylvania Athletic Conference playoff appearances.

A graduate of the Pennsylvania State University, Griffith earned his bachelor’s degree in secondary education and spent six seasons as an assistant coach at Lycoming College where he helped the Warriors to a pair of Freedom League championships and an NCAA Tournament berth.

He also served as an assistant coach at Williamsport High School and helped the Millionaires to four District IV championships and four PIAA playoff berths.

Albie Biggs returns as an assistant coach while Scott Richardson joins staff for his first season.

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