



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview Carroll College (14-5, 10-3) at St. Norbert College (13-8, 9-5) Saturday, February 16, 2008 Schuldes Sports Center (2,100) - De Pere, Wisconsin - 4 p.m.

Game Overview:

St. Norbert hosts Carroll in an important game for the Green Knights. The Green Knights' magic number currently sits at one, with a St. Norbert win or a Lake Forest loss the remainder of the regular season sealing a Midwest Conference Tournament berth for the first time since 2002.

Broadcast:

The live game video and audio will be available for a fee at www.midwestconference.tv. Live in-game statistics will also be available on the St. Norbert Web site at www.snc.edu/athletics.

The Series:

Carroll leads St. Norbert 41-32 in a series begun in the 1933-34 season. The Pioneers have won eight straight games in the series since a 79-67 St. Norbert win in Waukesha on Dec. 6, 2003.

Last Meeting:

Carroll beat St. Norbert 71-55 on Jan. 15 at Van Male Fieldhouse in Waukesha. The Pioneers jumped out to a 32-23 halftime lead and ended up shooting 54.8 percent for the game. Ryan Mueller and Wes Ladwig each had 22 points for the Pioneers, while Jake Dietz's nine points led the Green Knights.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 22-21 in his second season in De Pere. He was 51-31 in three seasons at Lakeland before arriving at St. Norbert to give him an overall mark of 73-52.

Carroll coach David Schultz (UW-Oshkosh, 1986) is 92-52 in his sixth season in Waukesha.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters Saturday's game with a 13-8 overall record and a 9-5 ledger in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights, who have won this season the third-most games in a season in the last 14 years, held off a late Beloit rally to post a 73-62 win at Beloit on Wednesday. The Green Knights had all five starters score in double figures against Beloit, led by Eric

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2007-2008 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 16	vs. Concordia-Chicago #	W 71-54
N 17	vs. Dominican ^	L 58-52/OT
N 21	UW-Oshkosh	L 78-68
N 30	at Grinnell *	L 100-87
D 1	at Knox *	L 62-56
D 5	at Ripon *	W 61-59
D 8	Augustana (10)	L 77-70/2 OT
D 17	Northern Michigan	W 59-50/OT
D 29	Rockford %	W 84-35
D 30	St. John's %	W 75-56
J 12	Beloit *	W 72-47
J 15	at Carroll *	L 71-55
J 18	Illinois College *	W 72-67
J 19	Lake Forest *	W 60-45
J 25	at Monmouth *	W 73-58/OT
J 26	at Illinois College *	W 67-62
J 30	Lawrence * (19)	L 65-56
F 5	Ripon *	W 77-75/OT
F 8	Knox *	L 65-59
F 9	Grinnell *	W 123-106
F 13	at Beloit *	W 73-62
F 16	Carroll *	4 p.m.
F 20	at Lawrence *	7:30 p.m.
F 29-M 1	Midwest Conf. Tourn.	TBA

* - Midwest Conference game; # - at Dominican Univ. - River Forest, Ill. ^ - at Concordia Univ. - River Forest, Ill. % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold**; (rankings) by D3hoops.com. All times Central Standard Time.

Bieniasz's 18 points.

Bieniasz leads the Green Knights in scoring at 11.5 points per game while shooting 57.4 percent from the floor. Junior center Tom Katzfey sat out the Beloit game, and is averaging 10.4 points and 4.8 rebounds per game. Junior guard Mike Dowden is averaging 9.3 points per game and has scored in double figures in eight of his last nine games.

St. Norbert is scoring 70.0 points per game while shooting 44.9 percent from the floor, 37.0 percent on 3-pointers and 76.2 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring 64.4 points per game against St. Norbert while shooting 42.6 percent from the floor, 34.4 percent on 3-pointers and 69.6 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Pioneers:

Carroll enters Saturday's game with a 14-5 overall record and a 10-3 mark in Midwest Conference play. Since a 3-3 start, Carroll is 11-2. The Pioneers have won their last five games, including an 85-77 win over Monmouth at home last Saturday.

Junior guard Wes Ladwig has enjoyed a banner season, scoring an average of 23.2 points per game while shooting 51.8 percent from the floor. Sophomore guard John Hoch is netting 15.5 points per game, while senior forward Ryan Mueller is scoring 14.2 points per game.

Carroll is averaging 83.2 points per game while shooting 50.1 percent from the floor, 41.2 percent on 3-pointers and 75.4 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring 77.4 points per game while shooting 44.6 percent from the floor, 36.1 percent on 3-pointers and 68.8 percent at the free-throw line.

Getting Into Position:

In John Feinstein's classic book about Indiana University basketball *Season on the Brink*, there is a chapter entitled, "Getting Into Position to Get Into Position."

That is where St. Norbert finds itself right now in regards to qualifying for the Midwest Conference Men's Basketball Tournament.

St. Norbert needs to win just one of its last two games or Lake Forest to lose one of its last three games to clinch a berth. The Green Knights own the head-to-head tiebreaker with Lake Forest based on their 60-45 win over the Foresters on Jan. 19.

Should St. Norbert, Lake Forest and Grinnell end in a three-way tie for the two available tournament berths, Grinnell would be the odd-man-out according to the Midwest Conference Office.

Straight A's:

Senior forward Eric Bieniasz has been named first team College Division Academic All-District V as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) and ESPN The Magazine.

Bieniasz, a Germantown native and a graduate of Germantown High School, holds a perfect 4.00 grade point average with a major in business administration.

A two-year team captain, Bieniasz was an Academic All-Midwest Conference selection in 2006 and 2007. He is also a member of the St. Norbert Student Athlete Advisory Committee and is a Student Alumni Ambassador. Bieniasz also assists with the on-campus Special Olympics Day and aids with research in the college's Study Abroad Department.

As a first-team all-district selection, Bieniasz moves on to the national ballot for Academic All-America consideration.

Jump Shots:

* - Junior guard Mike Dowden has scored in double figures in eight of his last nine games, with St. Norbert going 7-2 in that stretch. Dowden scored in double figures just twice in St. Norbert's first 12 games.

* - St. Norbert leads the Midwest Conference in free-throw shooting at 76.2 percent. In their last eight games, the Green Knights are 136-for-162 (84.0 percent) at the free-throw line. Bryan Fleischmann is 21-for-22 (95.5 percent) and Eric Bieniasz is 21-for-23 (91.3 percent) during that stretch.

Head Coach Gary Grzesk

Education: Bachelor's degree in Spanish at UW-Green Bay (1996); master's degree in education administration at Youngstown State (1998).

Playing Experience: Four-year letterman at UW-Green Bay (1993-96).

Coaching Experience:

Assistant coach at Youngstown State (1996-2002); assistant coach at UW-Green Bay (2002-03); head coach at Lakeland (2003-06); head coach at St. Norbert (April 13, 2006 to present).



Grzesk's Head Coaching Record

Lakeland				
Year	Overall	LMC	Place	NCAA
2003-04	16-13	8-4	3rd	First Rd.
2004-05	14-12	7-5	T3rd	
2005-06	21-6	13-1	1st	
Totals	51-31	28-10		

St. Norbert				
Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
2006-07	9-13	8-8	6th	
2007-08	13-8	9-5		
Totals	22-21	16-12		
Career	73-52			

MWC Glance

Team	MWC	Overall
Lawrence	12-1	17-2
Carroll	10-3	14-5
St. Norbert	9-5	13-8
Grinnell	7-5	12-7
Lake Forest	7-6	11-9
Knox	6-8	7-14
Monmouth	5-8	5-14
Illinois College	5-9	9-12
Ripon	4-10	9-12
Beloit	2-11	4-16

Games on Saturday, Feb. 16

- Grinnell at Lake Forest, 3 p.m.
- Illinois College at Monmouth, 3 p.m.
- Beloit at Lawrence, 4 p.m.
- Carroll at St. Norbert, 4 p.m.

St. Norbert College Men's Basketball
St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 14, 2008)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(13-8)	(8-4)	(4-3)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(9-5)	(5-2)	(4-3)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(4-3)	(3-2)	(0-0)	(1-1)

## Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
			FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg									
41 Eric Bieniasz.....	21-21	524	25.0	78-136	.574	24-50	.480	62-73	.849	35	64	99	4.7	35	0	25	23	10	17	242	11.5
21 Tom Katzfey.....	20-20	437	21.9	84-141	.596	0-1	.000	39-58	.672	35	60	95	4.8	57	3	20	27	14	15	207	10.4
11 Mike Dowden.....	21-21	671	32.0	61-138	.442	45-103	.437	28-37	.757	3	30	33	1.6	27	0	52	22	1	23	195	9.3
05 Tony Jandron.....	21-21	628	29.9	62-188	.330	13-63	.206	52-61	.852	11	50	61	2.9	36	0	67	57	3	19	189	9.0
33 Dave Wipperfurth..	21-15	458	21.8	48-122	.393	26-73	.356	23-36	.639	10	58	68	3.2	42	3	27	28	4	10	145	6.9
51 Bryan Fleischmann..	20-0	322	16.1	40-90	.444	16-38	.421	24-27	.889	12	29	41	2.1	20	0	11	9	1	12	120	6.0
43 Jake Dietz.....	21-1	348	16.6	43-91	.473	0-0	.000	24-28	.857	29	48	77	3.7	30	1	10	22	6	5	110	5.2
25 Paul Mallers.....	17-4	242	14.2	34-62	.548	10-17	.588	13-16	.813	15	21	36	2.1	23	0	9	14	0	10	91	5.4
45 Rob Durrett.....	21-0	318	15.1	25-69	.362	9-25	.360	9-15	.600	14	29	43	2.0	41	0	9	22	2	10	68	3.2
03 Eric Gruenewald....	13-2	158	12.2	19-60	.317	9-36	.250	10-21	.476	4	17	21	1.6	18	0	8	11	2	6	57	4.4
02 John Taylor.....	11-0	65	5.9	6-11	.545	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	0	7	7	0.6	10	0	10	4	0	1	13	1.2
23 Ryan Finneke.....	10-0	67	6.7	5-14	.357	0-4	.000	1-1	1.000	3	6	9	0.9	12	0	6	3	1	2	11	1.1
01 Kyle Johnsen.....	8-0	52	6.5	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	6-8	.750	0	7	7	0.9	6	0	9	5	0	3	6	0.8
31 Steve Papke.....	8-0	25	3.1	3-8	.375	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.1	3	0	1	1	0	0	6	0.8
35 x-Jake Larsen.....	1-0	2	2.0	2-2	1.000	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	1	0	0	5	5.0
53 Chris Peterson.....	6-0	21	3.5	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	5	5	0.8	2	0	1	1	1	0	3	0.5
55 Greg Lindholm.....	3-0	11	3.7	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0.7
97 x-Ryan Carmichael..	1-0	1	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM.....										37	44	81	3.9	0		5					
Total.....	21	4350		512-1140	.449	154-416	.370	292-383	.762	208	477	685	32.6	362	7	266	255	46	135	1470	70.0
Opponents.....	21	4350		463-1087	.426	144-418	.344	282-405	.696	206	465	671	32.0	377	8	221	288	64	112	1352	64.4

x-Inactive player

	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	11/16/07	vs Concordia Chicago	W 71-54 200
			11/17/07	vs Dominican University	LOT 52-58 500
SCORING.....	1470	1352	11/21/07	UW-OSHKOSH	L 68-78 660
Points per game.....	70.0	64.4	*11/30/07	at Grinnell College	L 87-100 700
Scoring margin.....	+5.6	-	*12/1/07	at Knox College	L 56-62 150
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	512-1140	463-1087	*12/5/07	at Ripon College	W 61-59 455
Field goal pct.....	.449	.426	12/8/07	AUGUSTANA COLLEGE	LO2 70-77 532
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	154-416	144-418	12/17/07	NORTHERN MICHIGAN	W OT 59-50 303
3-point FG pct.....	.370	.344	*12/29/07	ROCKFORD COLLEGE	W 84-35 421
3-pt FG made per game..	7.3	6.9	*12/30/07	ST. JOHN'S UNIV.	W 75-56 478
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	292-383	282-405	*1/12/08	BELOIT COLLEGE	W 72-47 208
Free throw pct.....	.762	.696	*1/15/08	at Carroll College	L 55-71 512
REBOUNDS.....	685	671	*1/18/08	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W 72-67 240
Rebounds per game.....	32.6	32.0	*1/19/08	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	W 60-45 658
Rebounding margin.....	+0.7	-	*1/25/08	at Monmouth College	W OT 73-58 525
ASSISTS.....	266	221	*1/26/08	at Illinois College	W 67-62 540
Assists per game.....	12.7	10.5	*1/30/08	LAWRENCE UNIV.	L 56-65 906
TURNOVERS.....	255	288	*2/5/08	RIPON COLLEGE	W OT 77-75 410
Turnovers per game.....	12.1	13.7	*2/8/08	KNOX COLLEGE	L 59-65 310
Turnover margin.....	+1.6	-	*2/9/08	GRINNELL COLLEGE	W 123-106 1020
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.0	0.8	*2/13/08	at Beloit College	W 73-62 125
STEALS.....	135	112	* = Midwest Conference game		
Steals per game.....	6.4	5.3	# - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)		
BLOCKS.....	46	64			
Blocks per game.....	2.2	3.0			
WINNING STREAK.....	2	-			
Home win streak.....	1	-			
ATTENDANCE.....	6146	3707			
Home games-Avg/Game....	12-512	7-430			
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	2-350			

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
St. Norbert College.....	666	741	60	3	- 1470
Opponents.....	537	765	40	10	- 1352