

# Sports Information

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# St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview No. 14 St. Norbert College (8-1, 4-0) vs. Lawrence Univ. (5-4, 3-1) Saturday, January 4, 2014 - 1 p.m. Schuldes Sports Center (2,100) - De Pere, Wisconsin

## Game Overview:

St. Norbert hosts Lawrence in a key Midwest Conference game for both teams. The Green Knights are the lone remaining unbeaten team in conference action, while the Vikings are just one of two other teams to have only one league loss.

## **Broadcast:**

The	games	will	be	broadcast	online	with	video	streaming	at
http://client.stretchinternet.com/client/snc.portal#									
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http://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/livestats/xlive.htm									

## The Series:

St. Norbert leads Lawrence 51-46 in an all-time series dating back to the 1917-18 season, making it one of the Green Knights' two oldest rivalries (along with UW-Oshkosh). The Green Knights have won eight straight games in the series, including season sweeps in each of the past four years.

## Last Meeting:

St. Norbert defeated Lawrence 68-54 on Jan. 29, 2013 at Schuldes Sports Center in De Pere. The Green Knights trailed 28-27 at halftime but held the Vikings to just seven field goals in the second half. Andrew Schwoerer led St. Norbert with 18 points and 13 rebounds, while Garrett Thorn added 13 points. Conor Klusendorf led Lawrence with 15 points, while Chris Siebert added 13 points.

## The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 128-55 in his eighth 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 179-86.

Lawrence coach Joel DePagter (Lawrence, 1998) is 90-61 in his seventh season in Appleton.

## About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 8-1 overall and 4-0 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights, ranked No. 14 in the D3hoops.com Top 25, are coming off winning the championship of the Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament with a 70-63 win over Viterbo on Monday at Schuldes Sports Center.

Senior guard Brandon Gries averages team highs at 18.6 points and 6.1 rebounds per game, and needs just one point to become the 26th player in St. Norbert history to score 1,000 career points. Senior guard Kam Cerroni

# 2013-2014 Results

Date	Opponent	Result					
N 16	at North Park	W 101-68					
N 20	UW-Oshkosh	W 63-53					
N 26	UW-Whitewater (5)	L 73-62					
D 4	Lake Forest *	W 71-56					
D 7	at Grinnell *	W 121-115/ot					
D 14	at Cornell *	W 81-70					
D 18	Carroll *	W 76-69					
D 29	Alma %	W 103-69					
D 30	Viterbo %	W 70-63					
J 4	Lawrence *	1 p.m.					
J 8	Beloit *	5:30 p.m.					
J 11	at Monmouth *	1 p.m.					
J 14	Ripon *	5:30 p.m.					
J 18	at Illinois College *	1 p.m.					
J 22	at Beloit *	5:30 p.m.					
J 25	Cornell *	3 p.m.					
J 28	at Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.					
F 1	Knox *	1 p.m.					
F 5	at Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.					
F 11	at Carroll *	5:30 p.m.					
F 15	Grinnell *	1 p.m.					
F 19	at Ripon *	5:30 p.m.					
F 22	Illinois College *	1 p.m.					
F 28-M 1	I MWC Tournament	TBA					
* - Midwest Conference game; % - Nicolet							
National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere,							
Wis. Note: Home games in <b>bold;</b> (rankings) by							

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is averaging 15.2 points per game, while junior forward Andrew Schwoerer is netting 15.3 points per game. Junior guard Austin Elliott is averaging 10.7 points per game and was named MVP of the Nicolet National Bank Tournament after scoring 21 points in the win over Viterbo.

St. Norbert is scoring an average of 83.1 points per game, and is shooting 51.7 percent from the floor, 40.3 percent on 3-pointers and 82.0 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 70.7 points per game while shooting 43.3 percent from the floor, 38.4 percent on 3-pointers and 69.6 percent at the free-throw line.

#### About the Vikings:

Lawrence enters the game 5-4 overall and at 3-1 in the Midwest Conference the Vikings are just one of three teams to have one loss or less in league action. The Vikings had a modest three-game winning streak snapped in their last outing on Dec. 20, a 73-56 loss to UW-Whitewater in Florida.

Senior guard Chris Siebert is averaging 18.6 points per game, and is connecting on 50.0 percent of his three-point field-goal attempts. Junior guard Ryan DePouw is netting 13.1 points per game, while sophomore guard Jamie Nikitas is averaging 13.1 points per game while grabbing a team-high 6.1 rebounds per game.

Lawrence is scoring an average of 78.8 points per game, and is shooting 49.5 percent from the floor, 38.5 percent on 3-pointers and 69.3 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 73.0 points per game while shooting 45.8 percent from the floor, 36.3 percent on 3-pointers and 66.0 percent at the free-throw line.

## **Building a Winner:**

In his first seven seasons, head coach Gary Grzesk turned the St. Norbert men's basketball program into an annual contender for the Midwest Conference championship, winning the MWC title three times in the last four seasons.

The Green Knights have won 20 games three times in the last four years under Grzesk. In the program's previous 86 seasons, St. Norbert had 20-win seasons just twice.

St. Norbert's 20 wins in 2013 marked just the fifth time in school history it won at least that many in

a season. The Green Knights won 21 games twice (1984 and 2002) and a school-record 23 games in 2010. St. Norbert also won 20 games in 2011.

St. Norbert's 79-25 record from 2010 to 2013 marks the best fouryear total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 117-37. St. Norbert reached its highest national ranking in the 13-year history of the D3hoops.com Top 25 with a No. 6 ranking the week of Dec. 6, 2010.

#### **Turnover Talk:**

St. Norbert accomplished something in Monday's 70-63 win over Viterbo that had not occurred in Gary Grzesk's eight-year coaching tenure - committing fewer than five turnovers in a game.

The Green Knights had just four miscues in the win over the V-Hawks. Under Grzesk, St. Norbert had four games with only five turnovers.

St. Norbert had only five turnovers in a 65-42 win over Knox on Dec. 11, 2010, in a 70-58 win at Monmouth on Dec. 5, 2009, in a 69-61 loss at Lawrence on Feb. 20, 2008 and in a 59-50 overtime win over Division II Northern Michigan on Dec. 17, 2007.

## **Century Comments:**

St. Norbert went over the 100point mark for the third time this season in this past Sunday's 103-69 win over Alma, its eighth game of the year.

The Green Knights hadn't scored 100 points three different times in one season since passing the century mark five times during the 1975-76 campaign.

St. Norbert scored at least 100 points a school-record eight times during the 1964-65 season.

## Gries is the Word:

St. Norbert senior guard Brandon Gries, who is averaging 18.6 points per game this season, enters the Lawrence game with 999 points. He needs just one point to become the 26th player in St. Norbert history to score 1,000 points. Gries would also be only the eighth St. Norbert cager to reach that mark playing the majority of his career in the Midwest Conference.

Gries, who has made 377 career free throws, needs 41 made free throws to become the St. Norbert career leader in made free throws. Jack Gebler owns the St. Norbert record with 417 from 1966-70.

# 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	d			
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. Norb	ert			
Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
2006-07	9-13	8-8	6th	
2007-08	14-10	10-6	T3rd	
2008-09	18-6	12-4	T3rd	
2009-10	23-4	14-2	1st	Second Rd.
2010-11	20-6	14-4	1st	First Rd.
2011-12	16-9	12-6	3rd	
2012-13	20-6	15-3	1st	First Rd.
2013-14	8-1	4-0		
Totals	128-55	89-33		
Career	179-86			
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Team C	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	10-4	6-1	4-3	0-0
Carroll	11-7	8-2	3-4	0-1
Cornell	2-1	1-0	1-1	0-0
Grinnell	9-7	6-1	2-6	1-0
Illinois Coll.	12-0	6-0	6-0	0-0
Knox	11-2	5-1	6-1	0-0
Lake Forest	10-3	5-2	5-1	0-0
Lawrence	8-7	4-3	4-4	0-0
Monmouth	10-1	6-0	4-1	0-0
Ripon	13-4	9-1	4-3	0-0
Totals	96-36	56-11	39-24	1-1

MWC Glance									
Team	MWC	Overall							
St. Norbert	4-0	8-1							
Grinnell	3-1	7-1							
Lawrence	3-1	5-4							
Monmouth	3-2	4-5							
Ripon	3-2	6-4							
Beloit	2-3	4-6							
Carroll	2-3	5-5							
Cornell	2-3	5-5							
Illinois College	2-3	5-4							
Lake Forest	2-3	3-7							
Knox	0-5	1-9							



# St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
<b>Location:</b> De Pere, WI 54115
Colors:
Founded:
Enrollment:
President:
Athletics Director:
Conference:
Facility:Schuldes Sports Center
Capacity:
Year Opened:
Head Coach:
Decord at St. Norbert, 128 55 (eighth year)
Record at St. Norbert:
Record Overall:
Assistant Coaches:Woody Wilson
Corey Ciesielczyk, Justin Żwiefelhofer
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:
All-Time Overall Record:
<b>All-Time MWC Record:</b>
MWC Championships:Five
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Six
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three

# D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #5 - Dec. 16, 2013

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record					
1	UW-Stevens Point (19)	618	7-0					
2	Wooster (5)	599	7-0					
3	Illinois Wesleyan	566	6-1					
4	Cabrini (1)	550	8-0					
5	Williams	529	7-1					
6	Amherst	501	7-1					
7	St. Thomas	397	6-1					
8	WPI	395	9-1					
9	Washington-Mo.	368	6-2					
10	Virginia Wesleyan	358	7-1					
11	Wittenberg	346	7-1					
12	UW-Whitewater	338	5-2					
13	Augustana	297	7-1					
14	St. Norbert	259	5-1					
15	Marietta	254	7-1					
16	Calvin	243	7-2					
17	Guilford	206	8-0					
18	Christopher Newport	177	7-1					
19	Middlebury	173	6-2					
20	Wesley	141	6-1					
21	SUNY-Purchase	110	7-0					
22	Eastern Connecticut St.	90	7-1					
23	St. Mary's-Md.	86	5-3					
24	Wheaton-Ill.	84	6-3					
25	Colorado College	71	5-1					
	s receiving votes: UW							
	ngton 38, Stevenson 26							
Whitworth 24, Albertus Magnus 22, Brockport								
State 21, Dickinson 21, Richard Stockton 17,								
Babson 14, John Carroll 14, Baldwin-Wallace 12,								

Defiance 11, Texas-Dallas 10, North Central-Ill. 10,

UW-Platteville 10, Dubuque 7, Emory 6, Alvernia

6, Bowdoin 6, Springfield 5, Hampden-Sydney 5,

Ohio Wesleyan 5, Centre 2, Juniata 1.

#### #**1 - Nick Hofman** #**32 - Izaial** Points: 3 (2 times, last 11/16/13 vs. Points: 14 (

North Park) Rebounds: 2 (12/29/13 vs. Alma) Assists: 2 (12/29/13 vs. Alma)

**#3 - Terrence Garner** Points: 2 (11/16/13 vs. North Park) Rebounds: 1 (2 times, last 12/29/13 vs. Alma) Assists: n/a

#5 - Andy Fox Points: 16 (12/3/10 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 6 (2 times, last 2/8/12 vs. Beloit) Assists: 7 (12/4/12 vs. Lake Forest)

# **#10 - Brandon Gries**

Points: 30 (12/7/13 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 11 (2 times, last 12/4/13 vs. Lake Forest) Assists: 8 (1/9/13 vs. Ripon)

**#11 - Kam Cerroni** Points: 28 (12/14/13 vs. Cornell) Rebounds: 4 (11/16/13 vs. North Park) Assists: 2 (2 times, last 12/18/13 vs. Carroll)

## #12 - Austin Elliott

Points: 21 (12/30/13 vs. Viterbo) Rebounds: 6 (3 times, last 12/7/13 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 5 (2 times, last 1/19/13 vs. Cornell)

# #13 - Tyler Pauley

Points: 6 (2/8/12 vs. Beloit) Rebounds: 2 (2/11/12 vs. Carroll) Assists: 3 (1/12/13 vs. Illinois College)

# #20 - Sean Benka

Points: 4 (11/16/13 vs. North Park) Rebounds: n/a Assists: 1 (12/29/13 vs. Alma)

# #22 - Ben Bobinski

Points: 7 (12/29/13 vs. Alma) Rebounds: 2 (12/29/13 vs. Alma) Assists: 1 (2 times, last 12/4/13 vs. Lake Forest)

# #23 - Jon Willman

Points: n/a Rebounds: n/a Assists: n/a

# #30 - Andrew Schwoerer

Points: 29 (12/8/12 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 13 (1/29/13 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 6 (1/10/12 vs. Ripon)

# #32 - Izaiah Anderson

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

Points: 14 (2 times, last 12/7/13 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 10 (2 times, last 1/5/13 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 4 (12/8/12 vs. Grinnell)

# #42 - Bryan Dalton

Points: 11 (11/20/13 vs. UW-Oshkosh) Rebounds: 6 (2 times, last 12/7/13 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 2 (11/16/13 vs. North Park)

# #44 - Tim Marshall

Points: n/a Rebounds: 1 (12/29/13 vs. Alma) Assists: n/a

# #45 - Garrett Thorn

Points: 18 (2/8/12 vs. Beloit) Rebounds: 12 (1/14/12 vs. Knox) Assists: 3 (1/19/13 vs. Cornell)

# #53 - Steven Hofacker

Points: 17 (11/26/13 vs. UW-Whitewater) Rebounds: 9 (1/25/12 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 3 (2 times, last 12/7/13 vs. Grinnell)

## St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Dec 30, 2013) All games

Overall record: 8-1 Conf: 4-0 Home: 5-1 Away: 3-0 Neutral: 0-0

					Total		3-Poii	nt	F-Thro	w	I	Rebou	inds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	а	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
10	Brandon Gries	9-9	301	33.4	43-96	.448	5-19	.263	76-89	.854	9	46	55	6.1	18	1	33	7	3	14	167	18.6
11	Kam Cerroni	9-9	282	31.3	42-80	.525	30-60	.500	23-27	.852	2	15	17	1.9	18	0	7	14	3	9	137	15.2
12	Austin Elliott	9-0	222	24.7	30-62	.484	8-13	.615	28-34	.824	8	27	35	3.9	16	1	19	13	1	7	96	10.7
30	Andrew Schwoerer	6-1	128	21.3	35-53	.660	0-2	.000	22-25	.880	14	18	32	5.3	12	0	2	5	0	5	92	15.3
32	Izaiah Anderson	9-8	220	24.4	22-39	.564	0-0	.000	16-22	.727	13	27	40	4.4	24	1	9	16	10	4	60	6.7
53	Steven Hofacker	9-0	133	14.8	19-32	.594	0-1	.000	12-16	.750	6	16	22	2.4	16	0	8	9	6	1	50	5.6
42	Bryan Dalton	8-0	123	15.4	17-38	.447	6-19	.316	5-8	.625	8	18	26	3.3	16	0	1	9	3	1	45	5.6
05	Andy Fox	9-9	197	21.9	11-24	.458	5-17	.294	11-13	.846	0	14	14	1.6	24	0	29	11	2	6	38	4.2
45	Garrett Thorn	9-9	136	15.1	17-30	.567	0-0	.000	4-6	.667	5	23	28	3.1	22	0	5	9	1	0	38	4.2
22	Ben Bobinski	4-0	37	9.3	4-12	.333	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	1	2	3	0.8	5	0	2	3	0	2	10	2.5
20	Sean Benka	2-0	5	2.5	3-3	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	1	0	0	0	6	3.0
01	Nick Hofman	3-0	14	4.7	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	3-4	.750	1	3	4	1.3	0	0	3	1	0	1	5	1.7
03	Terrence Garner	2-0	9	4.5	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	1	2	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1.0
13	Tyler Pauley	2-0	7	3.5	1-2	.500	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1.0
44	Tim Marshall	2-0	6	3.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
23	Jon Willman	2-0	3	1.5	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
21	Kyle Fleck	1-0	2	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										14	21	35					1				
	Total	9	1825		246-476	.517	56-139	.403	200-244	.820	83	233	316	35.1	174	3	120	100	29	50	748	83.1
	Opponents	9	1825		215-496	.433	78-203	.384	128-184	.696	82	171	253	28.1	202	5	111	115	17	45	636	70.7

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	_	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
SCORING	748	636	_	11/16/13	at North Park	W	101-68	237
Points per game	83.1	70.7		11/20/13	UW-OSHKOSH	W	63-53	761
Scoring margin	+12.4	-		11/26/13	UW-WHITEWATER	L	62-73	844
FIELD GOALS-ATT	246-476	215-496	*	12/4/13	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	W	71-56	344
Field goal pct	.517	.433	*	12/7/13	at Grinnell College	Wot	121-115	1423
3 POINT FG-ATT	56-139	78-203	*	12/14/13	at Cornell College	W	81-70	410
3-point FG pct	.403	.384	*	12/18/13	CARROLL UNIV.	W	76-69	458
3-pt FG made per game	6.2	8.7	#	£ 12/29/13	ALMA COLLEGE	W	103-69	661
FREE THROWS-ATT	200-244	128-184	#	∉ 12/30/13	VITERBO UNIV.	W	70-63	877
Free throw pct	.820	.696						
F-Throws made per game	22.2	14.2	×	- Midwest Co	nference game			
REBOUNDS	316	253			ional Bank Holiday Tournament (De	Pere, Wis.)		
Rebounds per game	35.1	28.1			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	. ,		
Rebounding margin	+7.0	-						
ASSISTS	120	111						
Assists per game	13.3	12.3						
TURNOVERS	100	115						
Turnovers per game	11.1	12.8						
Turnover margin	+1.7	-						
Assist/turnover ratio	1.2	1.0						
STEALS	50	45						
Steals per game	5.6	5.0						
BLOCKS	29	17						
Blocks per game	3.2	1.9						
ATTENDANCE	3945	2070						
Home games-Avg/Game	6-658	3-690						
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0						

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Totals
St. Norbert College	346	380	22	748
Opponents	293	327	16	636