



# St. Norbert College

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### St. Norbert College Green Knights Women's Basketball Preview Finlandia University (4-13) at St. Norbert College (10-3) Tuesday, January 22, 2008 - 6 p.m. Schuldes Sports Center (2,100) - De Pere, Wisconsin

#### Game Overview:

St. Norbert takes a brief respite from Midwest Conference action when it takes on Upper Peninsula foe Finlandia in a rare late January non-conference game.

#### The Series:

St. Norbert has won the only meeting with Finlandia, a 66-45 decision on Feb. 13, 2007 at Schuldes Sports Center. The Green Knights led 23-17 at halftime before pulling away in the second half. Morgan Strasser had 13 points and Bianca White 12 for St. Norbert. Brigitte LaPointe led the Lions with 13 points.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Connie Tilley (UW-La Crosse, 1974) is 476-244 in her 31st season in De Pere. Combining her softball and volleyball coaching tenures with the Green Knights, Tilley is 806-442 at St. Norbert.

Finlandia coach Curtis Wittenberg is 4-13 in his first season in Hancock.

#### About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game against Finlandia with a 10-3 overall record. The Green Knights are in first place in the Midwest Conference at 7-0 following a pair of wins last weekend, including a thrilling 84-82 win over No. 19 Lake Forest College this past Saturday.

Sophomore guard Denise Heuser led St. Norbert against Lake Forest, pumping in 23 points on 7 of 10 shooting from the floor - including 3 of 4 on 3-pointers. Heuser, who was named Midwest Conference Player of the Week for her performance last week, is now averaging 8.5 points per game. Junior guard Morgan Strasser is averaging 12.8 points per game, while senior guard Linsey Propson is netting 8.4 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 65.5 points per game. The Green Knights are shooting 43.8 percent from the floor, 26.8 percent on 3-pointers and 67.8 percent at the free-throw line. St. Norbert made 33 of 40 free throws in the win over Lake Forest. Opponents have been held to 56.8 points per game. Foes are shooting 37.3 percent from the floor with 26.9 percent accuracy on 3-pointers and 69.6 percent on free throws.

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#### 2007-2008 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 1	at Wisconsin (exh)	L 96-29
<b>N 16</b>	<b>%Edgewood</b>	<b>W 59-44</b>
<b>N 17</b>	<b>%Concordia-Wis.</b>	<b>W 81-64</b>
<b>N 20</b>	<b>UW-Eau Claire</b>	<b>L 61-57</b>
N 30	*at Grinnell	W 74-68/OT
D 1	*at Knox	W 63-35
D 5	*at Ripon	W 60-48
<b>D 15</b>	<b>UW-Oshkosh</b>	<b>W 62-40</b>
J 3	^vs. Amherst	L 65-62
J 5	^vs. Medaille (21)	L 67-53
<b>J 12</b>	<b>*Beloit</b>	<b>W 55-54</b>
J 15	*at Carroll	W 71-55
<b>J 18</b>	<b>*Illinois College</b>	<b>W 68-51</b>
<b>J 19</b>	<b>*Lake Forest (19)</b>	<b>W 84-82</b>
<b>J 22</b>	<b>Finlandia</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
J 25	*at Monmouth	5 p.m.
J 26	*at Illinois College	1 p.m.
<b>J 30</b>	<b>*Lawrence</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
<b>F 5</b>	<b>*Ripon</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
<b>F 8</b>	<b>*Knox</b>	<b>5 p.m.</b>
<b>F 9</b>	<b>*Grinnell</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
F 13	*at Beloit	7 p.m.
<b>F 16</b>	<b>*Carroll</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
F 20	*at Lawrence	5:30 p.m.
F 29-M 1	at Midwest Conference Tournament	

\* - Midwest Conference game; % - Associated Financial Group Tip-Off Tournament, De Pere, Wis.; ^ - Florida Sunshine Shootout, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. **Note:** Home games in **bold**; (rankings) by D3hoops.com. All times Central Standard Time.

**About the Lady Blues:**

Finlandia, located in Hancock, Mich., enters the game at 4-13 overall. The Lions are a NCAA Division III independent and have played 16 of their 17 games to date on the road. Finlandia played a pair of games this past weekend, beating Mount Mary 77-62 on Friday and losing to Cardinal Stritch 93-31 on Saturday.

Freshman guard Linzy Monticello led the Lions this past weekend, scoring 26 points against Mount Mary and posting eight points against Cardinal Stritch. Sophomore forward Ally Tincknell leads Finlandia in scoring and rebounding at 13.4 points and 10.4 rebounds per game, and had 16 points and 14 rebounds against Mount Mary. Sophomore forward Jodi Riutta, who had 17 points and 10 rebounds against Mount Mary, is averaging 11.1 points and 6.4 rebounds per game.

Through 14 games Finlandia was averaging 52.0 points per game while shooting 35.3 percent from the floor, 30.9 percent on 3-pointers and 62.8 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents were scoring 80.6 points per game while shooting 41.6 percent from the floor, 36.7 percent on 3-pointers and 66.9 percent at the free-throw line.

**Heating Up:**

After opening the season with seven games without scoring more than eight points in any of them, sophomore guard Denise Heuser has helped fuel the Green Knights to the top of the Midwest Conference standings.

The reigning Midwest Conference Co-Player of the Week scored 51 points last week helping St. Norbert earn key wins over Carroll, Illinois College and Lake Forest.

Heuser scored 14 points with four assists to key a 73-59 win at Carroll, the Green Knights first win over the Pioneers since 2005. She then had 14 points and five rebounds in a 68-51 win over Illinois College on Friday.

Heuser then had a huge 23-point, four-rebound game against 19th-

ranked Lake Forest on Saturday, an 84-82 St. Norbert win. Her 23 points against the Foresters is a career-high, and also the first time she topped the 20-point mark. She was also a perfect 6-for-6 at the free-throw line in the game.

**Toppling the Top 25:**

St. Norbert picked up its first win in nearly five years against a team ranked in the D3hoops.com Top 25 when it beat Lake Forest this past Saturday.

The Foresters were ranked 19th in last week's poll, and fell 84-82 to the Green Knights on Saturday in De Pere.

St. Norbert had not beaten a team ranked by D3hoops.com since beating No. 6 Carleton 60-47 on March 8, 2003 in a second-round NCAA Division III Tournament game.

**Jump Shots:**

\* - St. Norbert's run of nine straight years with at least 10 conference wins is the longest in the Midwest Conference.

\* - St. Norbert had not made more than four 3-pointers in any game this season until it was 5-for-8 from beyond the arc against Lake Forest. It has made four 3s on four different occasions.

\* - St. Norbert has shot 45 percent or better from the floor in each of its last three games. The Green Knights are leading the Midwest Conference in field-goal percentage at 43.8 percent.

\* - St. Norbert is leading the Midwest Conference in field-goal percentage defense at 37.3 percent.

\* - Morgan Strasser matched a season high with six assists against Lake Forest.

\* - Morgan Strasser is the only St. Norbert player in the top 29 in the MWC in scoring, netting 12.8 points per game. Denise Heuser is 30th at 8.5 points per game.

\* - Due to the Midwest Conference's modified round-robin schedule, St. Norbert will not face Lake Forest again this season. Five of the Green Knights final nine conference games are at home.

**Head Coach Connie Tilley**

**Education:** Bachelor's degree in physical education at UW-La Crosse (1974); master's degree in public health administration at UW-La Crosse (1976).

**Coaching Experience:** Head women's basketball coach at St. Norbert (1977 to present).



**Tilley's Head Coaching Record**

Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
1977-78	13-5	6-2*	2nd	
1978-79	16-4	12-0*	1st	
1979-80	18-5	10-0*	1st	
1980-81	22-8	9-1*	1st	
1981-82	15-9	11-1*	2nd	
1982-83	20-6	11-0*	1st	Regional
1983-84	17-6	10-1	1st	
1984-85	24-4	11-0	1st	Final Four
1985-86	21-2	11-0	1st	Sweet 16
1986-87	19-6	11-1	1st	Sweet 16
1987-88	17-5	5-2	1st	Sweet 16
1988-89	20-6	10-0	1st	Regional
1989-90	11-11	4-4	7th	
1990-91	16-8	6-2	4th	
1991-92	11-10	3-5	8th	
1992-93	11-10	8-5	7th	
1993-94	11-11	7-7	6th	
1994-95	8-14	5-9	6th	
1995-96	8-14	6-8	7th	
1996-97	14-10	11-3	3rd	
1997-98	13-9	7-6	5th	
1998-99	11-12	10-6	3rd	
1999-2000	17-6	15-1	3rd	
2000-01	12-11	10-6	3rd	
2001-02	13-10	10-6	5th	
2002-03	23-5	15-1	1st	Sweet 16
2003-04	16-9	13-3	2nd	
2004-05	16-9	13-3	2nd	
2005-06	17-8	13-3	2nd	
2006-07	16-8	12-4	3rd	
2007-08	10-3	7-0		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>476-244</b>	<b>292-90</b>		

\* - St. Norbert was in the Wisconsin Independent Colleges-Women's Athletic Conference until 1983.

**MWC Standings**

Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	7-0	10-3
Lake Forest	5-1	11-2
Beloit	5-2	8-5
Carroll	4-2	10-3
Monmouth	4-4	8-7
Illinois College	3-3	7-6
Grinnell	1-5	3-10
Knox	1-5	3-10
Lawrence	1-5	4-9
Ripon	1-5	4-9

St. Norbert College Women's Basketball  
 St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 21, 2008)  
 All games

<b>RECORD:</b>	<b>OVERALL</b>	<b>HOME</b>	<b>AWAY</b>	<b>NEUTRAL</b>
<b>ALL GAMES.....</b>	<b>(10-3)</b>	<b>(6-1)</b>	<b>(4-0)</b>	<b>(0-2)</b>
<b>CONFERENCE.....</b>	<b>(7-0)</b>	<b>(3-0)</b>	<b>(4-0)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>
<b>NON-CONFERENCE.....</b>	<b>(3-3)</b>	<b>(3-1)</b>	<b>(0-0)</b>	<b>(0-2)</b>

## Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg		---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA		---REBOUNDS---		PF FO		A TO		Blk Stl		Pts	Avg		
		Min	Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	A	TO	Blk	Stl					
33 Morgan Strasser....	13-13	372	28.6	63-152	.414	6-26	.231	34-46	.739	12	43	55	4.2	25	0	30	45	6	32	166	12.8
22 Denise Heuser.....	13-6	287	22.1	37-94	.394	11-42	.262	25-30	.833	8	25	33	2.5	16	0	17	32	3	14	110	8.5
24 Linsey Propson.....	13-13	357	27.5	31-80	.388	11-43	.256	36-43	.837	2	19	21	1.6	36	0	38	46	4	32	109	8.4
42 Cortney Biese.....	13-13	295	22.7	42-84	.500	0-0	.000	16-30	.533	26	40	66	5.1	42	1	12	28	8	17	100	7.7
12 Rachel Hermus.....	12-11	291	24.3	43-81	.531	2-4	.500	12-19	.632	16	32	48	4.0	26	0	6	28	5	12	100	8.3
44 Victoria Le Fevre..	13-0	185	14.2	23-50	.460	0-0	.000	14-18	.778	15	18	33	2.5	13	0	6	14	3	3	60	4.6
25 Emily Otzelberger..	13-2	174	13.4	21-46	.457	0-0	.000	5-27	.185	22	23	45	3.5	18	0	6	12	8	9	47	3.6
13 Stefanie Bunday....	7-7	182	26.0	19-42	.452	2-10	.200	6-14	.429	6	23	29	4.1	18	1	17	17	2	8	46	6.6
30 Kristin Zimmerman..	13-0	261	20.1	12-41	.293	6-16	.375	8-9	.889	13	25	38	2.9	16	0	9	16	1	12	38	2.9
21 Bri Hauge.....	11-0	110	10.0	14-30	.467	2-8	.250	8-11	.727	6	11	17	1.5	9	0	2	5	1	2	38	3.5
23 Amy Brunner.....	9-0	67	7.4	8-16	.500	0-0	.000	11-13	.846	9	15	24	2.7	7	0	0	9	4	5	27	3.0
10 Becky Melis.....	6-0	36	6.0	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	1	1	2	0.3	1	0	2	5	0	3	8	1.3
32 Katie Spadoni.....	4-0	8	2.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0.5
TEAM.....										19	34	53	4.1	0		6					
Total.....	13	2625		316-721	.438	40-149	.268	179-264	.678	155	309	464	35.7	227	2	145	263	45	150	851	65.5
Opponents.....	13	2625		255-683	.373	47-175	.269	181-260	.696	160	297	457	35.2	233	6	133	302	32	139	738	56.8

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	851	738	#11/16/07	EDGEWOOD COLLEGE	W	59-44	342
Points per game.....	65.5	56.8	#11/17/07	CONCORDIA-WIS.	W	81-64	308
Scoring margin.....	+8.7	-	11/20/07	UW-EAU CLAIRE	L	57-61	277
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	316-721	255-683	*11/30/07	at Grinnell College	W OT	74-68	100
Field goal pct.....	.438	.373	*12/1/07	at Knox College	W	63-35	100
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	40-149	47-175	*12/5/07	at Ripon College	W	60-48	200
3-point FG pct.....	.268	.269	12/15/07	UW-OSHKOSH	W	62-40	470
3-pt FG made per game..	3.1	3.6	\$1/3/08	vs Amherst College	L	62-65	100
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	179-264	181-260	\$1/5/08	vs Medaille College	L	53-67	100
Free throw pct.....	.678	.696	*1/12/08	BELOIT COLLEGE	W	55-54	158
REBOUNDS.....	464	457	*1/15/08	at Carroll College	W	73-59	312
Rebounds per game.....	35.7	35.2	*1/18/08	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W	68-51	141
Rebounding margin.....	+0.5	-	*1/19/08	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	W	84-82	477
ASSISTS.....	145	133	* - Midwest Conference game				
Assists per game.....	11.2	10.2	# - Associated Financial Group Tip-Off Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)				
TURNOVERS.....	263	302	\$ - Florida Sunshine Shootout (Davie, Fla.)				
Turnovers per game.....	20.2	23.2					
Turnover margin.....	+3.0	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.6	0.4					
STEALS.....	150	139					
Steals per game.....	11.5	10.7					
BLOCKS.....	45	32					
Blocks per game.....	3.5	2.5					
WINNING STREAK.....	4	-					
Home win streak.....	4	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	2173	912					
Home games-Avg/Game....	7-310	4-178					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	2-100					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
St. Norbert College.....	401	439	11	851
Opponents.....	328	405	5	738