



# St. Norbert College

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### St. Norbert College Green Knights Women's Basketball Preview ST. NORBERT COLLEGE TIP-OFF CLASSIC

Sat., Nov. 15 - St. Norbert College (0-0) vs. UW-Stout (0-0) - 7 p.m.

Sun., Nov. 16 - St. Norbert College vs. UW-Superior (0-0) - 3 p.m.

Schuldes Sports Center (2,100) - De Pere, Wisconsin

#### Tournament Overview:

St. Norbert College hosts the eighth edition of its annual Tip-Off Tournament, which is a classic format this season. St. Norbert and Carroll of the Midwest Conference will face UW-Stout and UW-Superior of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. In lieu of admission, fans are asked to donate non-perishable food items at the door.

#### Broadcast:

All four games will be broadcast online in High Definition with video streaming at <http://client.stretchinternet.com/client/snc.portal#>

Live stats for all four games will be at <http://www.snc.edu/athletics/team-files/livestats/xlive.htm>

#### The Series:

St. Norbert is 12-0 all-time against UW-Stout in a series begun during the 1977-78 season.

St. Norbert is 2-1 against UW-Superior in an all-time series that began in 1976-77. The Green Knights have won the last two meetings.

#### Last Meetings:

St. Norbert pulled out a 76-71 win over UW-Stout on Nov. 16, 2008 in the title game of the Tip-Off Classic at Schuldes Sports Center in De Pere. Tournament MVP Denise Heuser had 17 points for St. Norbert, while Morgan Strasser had 19 points. Julia Hirssig had 22 points and 14 rebounds for the Blue Devils, while Danielle DeWitt added 13 points.

St. Norbert topped UW-Superior 77-68 on Nov. 19, 2011 in the title game of the Tip-Off Classic at Schuldes Sports Center in De Pere. Tournament MVP Krista Pelky poured in 30 points, while Jamie Kuhl had 16 points and Tasha Giese 15 points for St. Norbert. Connie Urmanski led the Yellowjackets with 19 points, while Sally Linzmeier added 14 points.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Connie Tilley (UW-La Crosse, 1974) is 609-277 in her 38th season in De Pere. Combining her softball and volleyball coaching tenures with the Green Knights, Tilley is 938-474 at St. Norbert. Tilley's 609 wins ranks her 11th all-time for the most triumphs in NCAA Division III history. Only Elizabethtown's Yvonne Kauffman (42 years, 1971-2002) has spent more time coaching women's basketball at one school.

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#### 2014-2015 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 15	UW-Stout %	7 p.m.
N 16	UW-Superior %	3 p.m.
N 19	at Lake Forest *	7:30 p.m.
N 22	Monmouth *	1 p.m.
N 25	at UW-Eau Claire	7 p.m.
N 29	UW-Oshkosh	7 p.m.
D 3	at Ripon *	5:30 p.m.
D 6	Grinnell *	1 p.m.
D 13	at UW-Stevens Point	7 p.m.
D 17	at Illinois College *	5 p.m.
J 3	at Cornell *	1 p.m.
J 7	at Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
J 13	Beloit *	5:30 p.m.
J 17	Knox *	1 p.m.
J 21	at Carroll *	5:30 p.m.
J 24	at Monmouth *	1 p.m.
J 27	Ripon *	5:30 p.m.
J 31	Carroll *	3 p.m.
F 4	Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.
F 7	at Beloit *	2 p.m.
F 10	Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 14	at Knox *	1 p.m.
F 21	Cornell *	3 p.m.

\* - Midwest Conference game; % - St. Norbert Tip-Off Tournament, De Pere, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold**; (rankings) by D3hoops.com. All times Central Standard Time.

UW-Stout coach Mark Thomas (UW-Superior, 1983) is 442-275 in his 28th season in Menomonie.

UW-Superior coach Don Mulhern (Winona State, 1987) is 79-125 in his ninth season in Superior. He is 207-230 in 18 seasons of collegiate coaching.

#### About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters a new season returning three starters from last season's team that finished 21-5 and advanced to the NCAA Division III Tournament. The Green Knights, picked to win the Midwest Conference title in the pre-season coaches' poll, went 16-2 to share the MWC crown with Cornell last season.

Junior center Heidi Van Sistine was the Green Knights' leading scorer last season at 11.2 points per game, and also had a team-high 6.0 rebounds per game while shooting 74.2 percent from the floor. Senior forward Tasha Giese averaged 7.8 points per game, while sophomore guard Jill Kleiman netted 6.1 points per game. Sophomore guard Brianna Byrne came off the bench last season to average 10.8 points per game.

St. Norbert averaged 69.2 points per game last season while shooting 48.1 percent from the floor, 30.5 percent on 3-pointers and 68.1 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents scored an average of 51.7 points per game while shooting 35.8 percent from the floor, 24.9 percent on 3-pointers and 68.6 percent at the free-throw line.

#### About the Blue Devils:

UW-Stout returns three starters from last season's squad which finished 11-15 overall and 7-9 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. The Blue Devils are picked to finish seventh in this year's WIAC pre-season coaches' poll.

Junior guard Kyleigh Hebert is the Blue Devils' top returning scorer at 10.8 points per game. Senior forward Brea Boomer averaged 8.4 points per game last season, while senior guard Katelynne Folkers netted 7.5 points per game.

Stout averaged 65.3 points per game last season while shooting

36.5 percent from the floor, 23.9 percent on 3-pointers and 64.7 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents averaged 69.8 points per game while shooting 40.4 percent from the floor, 32.9 percent on 3-pointers and 68.2 percent at the free-throw line.

#### About the Yellowjackets:

UW-Superior returns four starters from a club that went 16-12 last season and finished 7-9 in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. The Yellowjackets advanced to the title game of the WIAC Tournament before losing to UW-Oshkosh 75-69.

Senior guard Sally Linzmeier, the reigning WIAC Player of the Year, averaged 18.7 points and 8.8 rebounds last season. She shot 45.4 percent from the floor and was 136-for-162 (84.0 percent) at the free-throw line. Sophomore guard Brynn Liljander averaged 9.6 points per game, while senior guard Deandra Vavra netted 6.5 points per game.

Superior averaged 66.5 points per game last season while shooting 39.1 percent from the floor, 27.1 percent on 3-pointers and 73.7 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents averaged 62.5 points per game while shooting 39.1 percent from the floor, 33.0 percent on 3-pointers and 70.3 percent at the free-throw line.

#### Jump Shots:

\* - St. Norbert finished last season ranked eighth in the NCAA Division III national statistical rankings in scoring defense.

\* - St. Norbert is 147-4 in its last 151 games when scoring at least 70 points. St. Norbert had a 60-game winning streak when scoring 70 points snapped in a 77-72 loss to Monmouth on Feb. 3, 2012. Under Connie Tilley, St. Norbert is 324-23 when scoring at least 70 points.

\* - St. Norbert owns an impressive 143-36 record since the start of the 2007-08 season. The Green Knights have won at least 19 games in six of the last seven seasons, with four years with at least 20 wins. The 107 wins from 2008 to 2012 is the best five-year stretch in program history.

## 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	Regional
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	22-5	15-1	1st	Second Rd.
2008-09	20-5	15-1	2nd	
2009-10	23-4	14-2	1st	Second Rd.
2010-11	23-3	17-1	1st	First Rd.
2011-12	19-5	17-1	1st	
2012-13	15-9	12-6	3rd	
2013-14	21-5	16-2	T1st	First Rd.
2014-15	0-0	0-0		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>609-277</b>	<b>391-105</b>		

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

### MWC Glance

Team	MWC	Overall
Beloit	0-0	0-0
Carroll	0-0	0-0
Cornell	0-0	0-0
Grinnell	0-0	0-0
Illinois College	0-0	0-0
Knox	0-0	0-0
Lake Forest	0-0	0-0
Lawrence	0-0	0-0
Monmouth	0-0	0-0
Ripon	0-0	0-0
St. Norbert	0-0	0-0

## St. Norbert Quick Facts

**Nickname:** .....Green Knights  
**Location:** .....De Pere, WI 54115  
**Colors:** .....Dartmouth Green & Old Gold  
**Founded:** .....1898  
**Enrollment:** .....2,168  
**President:** .....Thomas Kunkel  
**Athletics Director:** .....Tim Bald  
**Conference:** .....Midwest Conference  
**Facility:** .....Schuldes Sports Center  
**Capacity:** .....2,100  
**Year Opened:** .....1979  
**Head Coach:** .....Connie Tilley  
**Record at St. Norbert:** .....609-277 (38th year)  
**Assistant Coaches:** .....Riley Woldt,  
 .....Bri Hauge,  
 .....Kheenan Halvorson, Abby Gildernick  
**First Season of Women's Basketball:** .1974-75  
**Seasons of Women's Basketball:** .....41  
**All-Time Overall Record:** .....636-294  
**All-Time MWC Record:** .....332-101  
**MWC Championships:** .....12  
 .....(1984-89, 2003, '08, '10-12, '14)  
**NCAA Tournament Appearances:** .....11  
 .....(1983, '85-89, 2003, '08, '10-11, '14)  
**NCAA Sweet 16 Appearances:** .....Four  
 .....(1985, '86, '88, 2003)  
**NCAA Final Four Appearances:** .....One  
 .....(1985)

## D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #1 - PRESEASON

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	FDU-Florham (16)	606	33-0
2	Amherst (2)	533	26-4
3	Thomas More (3)	525	31-1
4	Tufts (1)	517	30-3
5	UW-Oshkosh (2)	493	26-4
6	Hope (1)	489	28-1
7	Whitman	457	31-2
8	Scranton	404	26-4
9	DePauw	392	30-2
10	Washington-Mo.	371	24-3
11	Montclair St.	370	28-3
12	St. Thomas	330	25-5
13	Texas-Tyler	255	27-4
14	UW-Whitewater	249	27-5
15	New York Univ.	198	20-6
16	Baldwin-Wallace	197	22-7
17	Williams	192	20-6
18	Christopher Newport	147	24-6
19	Wheaton-Ill.	143	19-7
20	Univ. of New England	139	27-3
21	Rhodes	121	25-4
22	Bowdoin	94	21-6
23	St. Mary's-Minn.	93	24-4
24	Whitworth	68	21-8
25	Messiah	65	21-8

**Others receiving votes:** Transylvania 64; Catholic 64; Carthage 55; Ohio Northern 55; Lebanon Valley 49; Calvin 45; Claremont-Mudd-Scripps 42; Baruch 33; Ferrum 33; Ithaca 26; Plattsburgh State 25; Cornell 25; Capital 23; York-Pa. 18; Randolph-Macon 15; **St. Norbert 15**; George Fox 10; Wisconsin Lutheran 10; Chicago 8; Olivet 7; Vassar 4; Geneseo State 3; Southern Maine 2; Ohio Wesleyan 1; Emmanuel 1; John Carroll 1.

## St. Norbert Women's Basketball Career Highs

### #11 - Brianna Byrne

Points: 20 (2/11/14 vs. Carroll)  
 Rebounds: 8 (1/4/14 vs. Lawrence)  
 Assists: 3 (2 times, last 2/28/14 vs. Carroll)

### #13 - Jill Kleiman

Points: 21 (12/14/13 vs. Cornell)  
 Rebounds: 6 (1/28/14 vs. Lake Forest)  
 Assists: 7 (2/28/14 vs. Carroll)

### #14 - Rachel Hagge

Points: 6 (11/20/12 vs. UW-Eau Claire)  
 Rebounds: 7 (12/7/13 vs. Grinnell)  
 Assists: 4 (2/5/14 vs. Lawrence)

### #15 - Kyra VandenHeuvel

Points: 11 (11/15/13 vs. Northland)  
 Rebounds: 7 (1/26/13 vs. Knox)  
 Assists: 3 (2 times, last 12/15/12 vs. Lawrence)

### #22 - Megan McGoohan

Points: 12 (11/15/13 vs. Northland)  
 Rebounds: 2 (11/15/13 vs. Northland)  
 Assists: 3 (11/15/13 vs. Northland)

### #23 - Stephanie Weigman

Points: 19 (1/18/14 vs. Illinois College)  
 Rebounds: 5 (2 times, last 2/1/14 vs. Knox)  
 Assists: 2 (3 times, last 1/18/14 vs. Illinois College)

### #32 - Tasha Giese

Points: 23 (12/10/11 vs. Knox)  
 Rebounds: 15 (12/10/11 vs. Knox)  
 Assists: 8 (2/22/14 vs. Illinois College)

### #40 - Mallory Nickerson

Points: 16 (11/15/13 vs. Northland)  
 Rebounds: 6 (11/15/13 vs. Northland)  
 Assists: 1 (2 times, last 2/15/14 vs. Grinnell)

### #42 - Heidi Van Sistine

Points: 24 (2/1/14 vs. Knox)  
 Rebounds: 14 (2/1/14 vs. Knox)  
 Assists: 2 (6 times, last 2/22/14 vs. Illinois College)