

DAILY TRIVIA

Daily Trivia: Name the teams that played in the first NCAA tournament play-in game in Dayton, Ohio, following the NCAA tournament's expansion from 64 to 65 teams.

Yesterday's Question: What was the Penn State women's basketball team seeded in its first NCAA tournament appearance?

Answer: Penn State was seeded fourth in the Midwest Region in the first NCAA tournament in 1982. The Lions beat Clemson then lost to Southern Cal in the Midwest Region championship game.

NCAA BASEBALL

Associated Press top 25 poll
Released March 14

	Record	Pts.	Prev.
1. Texas	21-1	497	1
2. South Carolina	15-1	493	4
3. Cal. State Fullerton	14-3	492	5
4. Tulane	15-3	490	2
5. LSU	14-4	487	6
6. Georgia Tech.	16-2	485	8
7. Arkansas	16-1	482	10
8. Rice	14-5	481	7
9. North Carolina	11-3	478	11
10. Florida	15-4	474	13
11. Miami, Fla.	17-4	472	14
12. Texas A&M	15-5	469	17
13. Arizona	14-6	466	16
14. Wichita State	16-3	464	9
15. Stanford	11-7	463	15
16. Florida State	21-4	462	3
17. Georgia	10-5	460	12
18. Mississippi State	9-2	459	18
19. Louisiana-Lafayette	17-2	458	19
20. Mississippi	13-3	454	21
21. Nebraska	12-2	452	23
22. Central Florida	19-3	449	NR
23. Michigan	8-3	446	24
24. Southern California	9-6	444	22
25. Tennessee	14-3	442	NR

GATHERING OF GLORY



Tiger Woods (left), Peyton Manning (center) and Woods' caddy Steve Williams in a practice round during the Bay Hill Invitational Pro-Am in Orlando, Fla.

IN BRIEF

Today is deadline to buy Lady Lions NCAA tickets

The deadline for purchasing tickets for the Penn State Lady Lions' first- and second-round NCAA tournament games is today, and student bus tickets are now available.

Penn State secured a No. 4 seed in the tournament's Chattanooga Region and will face No. 13 seed Liberty at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at the Comcast Center in College Park, Md. Should the Lady Lions win, they will play on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at 9:30 p.m.

Tickets are sold as an "all-session" package. Tickets for the general public cost \$40 (plus a \$1 processing fee for phone orders). Student tickets cost \$25, and there is a limit of one ticket per student ID.

The all-session package includes four games on Sunday and two games on Monday at the Comcast Center. Orders must be taken until noon today. Ticket orders will then be available for pickup at the Bryce Jordan Center ticket office beginning tomorrow to 4:30 p.m. Friday. Tickets can also be picked up at the Comcast Center on game day.

Free bus transportation is provided to all students purchasing tickets, courtesy of Penn State Intercollegiate Athletics. Students wishing to use the buses need to sign up at the Jordan Center ticket office. The buses will leave at 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

Student session tickets are available at the University of Maryland ticket office at 1-800-462-8377 or www.umtickets.com.

er posted 17 kills, including nine in the third game alone, to hit .433 on a team-high 30 swings with six digs and five blocks. Against the Mastodons, Proper led the team in attacks with 22, providing 14 kills and hitting .591 with two digs and four blocks. For the week, Proper averaged 1.33 digs per game and 1.50 blocks per game.

For the year, Proper is averaging a team-high 3.96 kills per game on .313 hitting with 0.28 service aces per game, 1.11 digs per game, 1.20 blocks per game and 4.89 points per game.

Penn State hosts Mercyhurst at 7 p.m. Friday at Rec Hall.

Baseball team to play 3rd game vs. Delaware

The Penn State baseball team has scheduled a third game for its upcoming series at Delaware this weekend.

The Nittany Lions and the Blue Hens will now play a doubleheader beginning at noon Saturday in Newark, Del., then a single game at 1 p.m. Sunday.

WMAJ (1450) will broadcast all three games, and www.GoPSUsports.com will include a link to the Webcast.

Penn State enters the series with a 4-6 mark. It went 3-3 at the Pepsi/Johnny Quik Classic in Fresno, Calif., last week.

Father, son to meet in NIT first-round matchup

LAS VEGAS (AP) — When UNLV and Arizona State meet tomorrow in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament at the Thomas & Mack Center, father and son will be trying to beat each other.

Lon Kruger, UNLV head coach, will be squaring off against his son, Sun Devils sophomore point guard Kevin Kruger.

And Barb Kruger, wife and mother, will be in the stands, her stomach in knots.

"It's an ironic thing," she told the Las Vegas Review Journal on Monday. "Kevin called me [Sunday] and said, 'Mom, guess who we're playing in the NIT?' and I immediately knew it was the Rebels. The good thing is I get to see both of them at the same time."

Barb Kruger doesn't plan to cheer for one team at the other's expense.

"It's fun to watch both teams," she said. "I'll be cheering for both of them. They need to have good games so they can feel good about each other."



L. Kruger

BASEBALL

Penn State individual statistics
Through March 15
Batting statistics

	H	R	HRRBI	Avg.
Arin Gelliey	1	1	0	0.1000
Travis Laird	1	0	0	0.500
Matt Lewis	18	8	2	6.474
Lance Thompson	13	3	0	4.333
Michael Milliron	14	8	0	9.326
Joe Blackburn	13	10	3	11.310
Brian Ernst	6	5	0	0.300
Matt Cavagnaro	6	3	0	0.300
Scott Gaffney	1	1	0	0.250
Aaron Greenfield	4	1	0	3.235
Derrick Barr	6	4	0	2.231
Colin Runt	4	2	0	5.222
James Spinelli	1	1	0	0.200
Scott Gummo	6	5	2	6.171
Clint Eury	5	4	0	2.167
Jim Leitgeb	0	0	0	0.000

Penn State individual statistics
Through March 15
Pitching statistics

	ERA	W-L	S	App.	IP	K	H	R
Scott Gaffney	0.00	0-0	0	1	0.2	1	0	0
Craig Clark	1.69	0-0	3	16.0	19	12	3	0
Josh Palm	2.08	0-0	3	5	4.1	5	4	1
Steve Cline	3.12	1-1	0	3	8.2	4	7	3
Matt Ogrodnik	3.86	1-0	0	4	2.1	3	3	2
Matt Carroll	4.91	0-0	0	4	7.1	4	6	4
Sean Sudfole	5.40	1-2	0	4	23.1	24	16	14
Alan Sudfole	8.22	0-1	0	3	15.1	2	21	14
Aaron Markowitz	13.50	0-0	0	3	2.2	2	5	4
Paul Harkins	13.50	0-0	0	1	2.0	0	4	4
Arin Gelliey	18.00	0-0	0	1	1.2	0	3	2
Clint Eury	20.25	1-2	0	4	2.2	3	7	6

SOFTBALL

Penn State individual statistics
Through March 15
Batting statistics

	H	R	HRRBI	Avg.
Steph Viola	1	4	0	0.500
Ashley Esparza	20	3	0	9.400
Hollie Haines	20	7	1	14.392
Jenn Reynolds	18	4	1	7.391
Jen Acunto	19	7	2	10.388
Leigh Murray	17	5	0	9.315
Meghan Wolfer	16	14	0	5.296
Jen Williams	16	14	0	2.271
Katie Stauffer	7	5	0	2.269
Kari Lucas	1	1	0	0.200
Destinie Chavez	4	1	0	1.121
Rebecca Bautista	0	4	0	0.000
Holly Jackson	0	0	0	0.000
Kelly McManus	0	0	0	0.000
Kelsey Francisco	0	3	0	0.000
Missy Beseres	0	0	0	0.000

Penn State individual statistics
Through March 15
Pitching statistics

	ERA	W-L	S	App.	IP	K	H	R
Jenn Reynolds	1.46	2-2	0	9	33.2	19	35	12
Missy Beseres	1.50	5-4	1	11	51.1	71	37	13
Ashley Esparza	1.75	3-1	0	6	28.0	27	18	13

MEN'S BASKETBALL

NCAA individual statistic leaders
Through March 14
Scoring

	G	FG	3pt	FT	PTS	PPG
1. Keydren Clark, St. Peter's	28	230	109	152	721	25.8
2. Taylor Coppenrath, Ver.	29	260	9	216	745	25.7
3. Juan Mendez, Niagara	29	215	38	215	683	23.6

Rebounds

1. Paul Millsap, Louisiana Tech	30	192
5. Rob Monroe, Quinnipiac	26	173
6. Bo McCalebb, NOrleans	30	261
7. Ike Diogu, Arizona State	31	219
8. Tim Smith, E. Tenn. St.	29	215
9. Jose Juan Barea, N'estrn	30	237
10. Ryan Gomes, Providence	31	247
11. Luckey, St. Francis (Pa.)	28	217
12. Nick Fazekas, Nevada	30	219
13. Hakim Warrick, Syracuse	33	249
14. Darryl Hill, St. John's	27	201
15. Andrew Bogut, Utah	32	240
16. Seamus Boxley, P'lant	28	233
17. Michael Harris, Rice	30	233
18. Paul Millsap, La. Tech	26	173
19. Tiras Wade, La.-Lafayette	30	219
20. Omar Thomas, UTEP	34	239

Proper receives another Player of Week honor

Proper means volleyball player Matt Proper has been named the NIT Intercollegiate Volleyball Player of the Week.

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Proper averaged 6.33 points per game in 10 matches.

Proper played for UNLV and at home against Penn State at Fort Wayne. The junior opposite connected on 31 of 52 attempts and had just five errors to hit an average 6.33 points per game.

Proper is the top-ranked Bruins, Prop-



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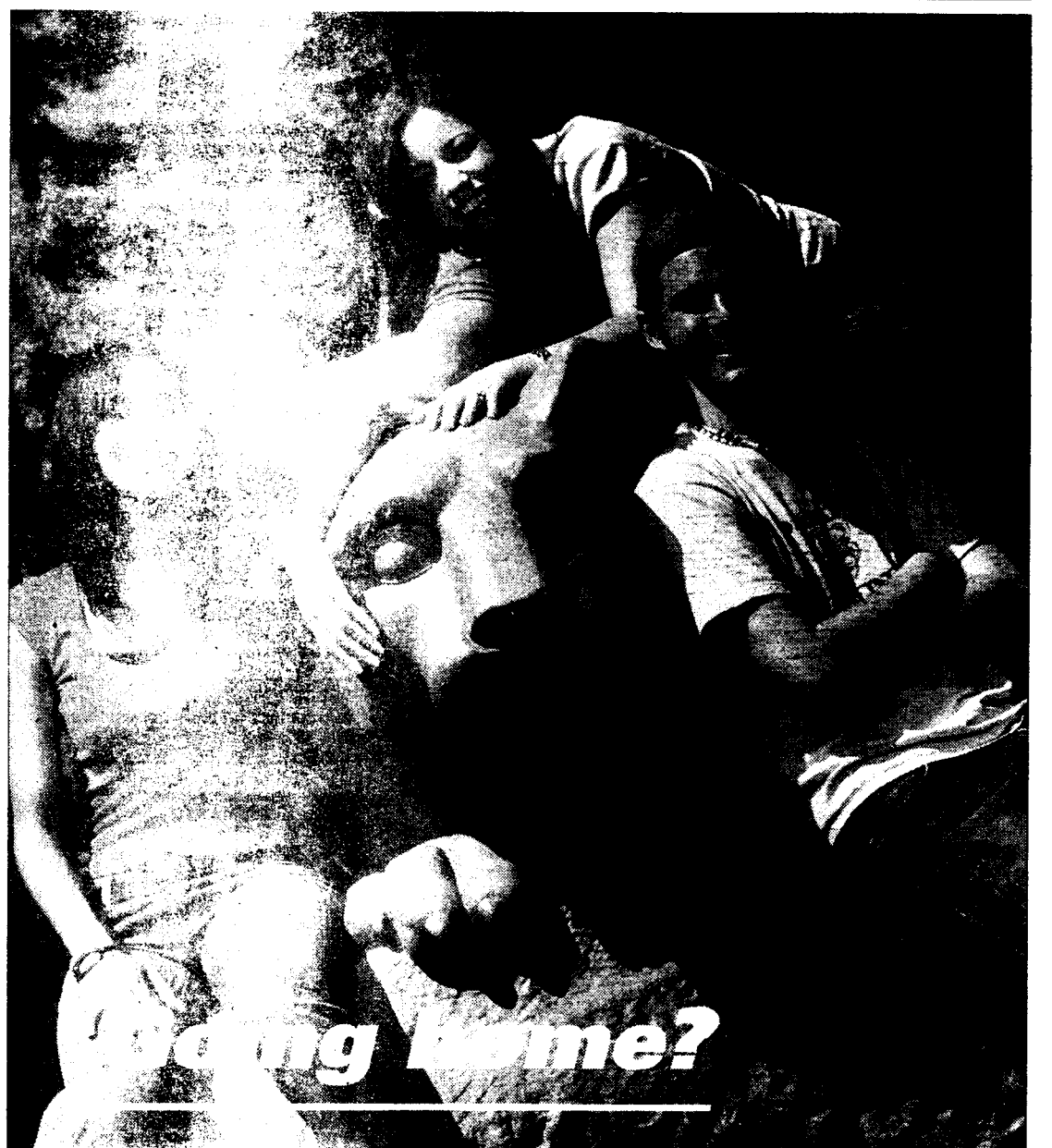
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