

# COURIER SCOREBOARD

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

### Cards 111, Bombers 99 (4 OT) SJFC at Ithaca College, Feb. 9

Fisher	37	33	41	-	111
Ithaca	27	43	29	-	99

**Fisher:** J. Beigel 13, Baltz 18, McSweeney 23, Mueller 25, Newman 17, McKeever 0, Bearden 3, Coyne 2, B. Beigel 0, Fenyn 0, Smalt 8, Haley 2.

**Ithaca:** Leahy 22, Brown 8, Bostic 23, Ruffrage 5, Burton 20, Adrien 0, Pruzinsky 0, Rogers 2, Scanlon 8, Stahn 11.

### Cards 86, Soaring Eagles 60 SJFC at Elmira College, Feb. 10

Fisher	36	50	-	86
Elmira	32	28	-	60

**Fisher:** J. Beigel 15, Baltz 17, McSweeney 8, Mueller 9, Newman 11, Strange 0, McKeever 3, Bearden 0, Coyne 0, B. Beigel 1, Lidell 7, Fenyn 7, Seiberg 0, Wopperer 2, Smalt 4, Haley 0, Evans 2.

**Ithaca:** Andreozzi 2, Keating 13, Mendez 3, Prunier 17, Weitach 3, Dafeo 2, Smalley 0, Henderson 6, Brown 3, Molak 3, Sanghera 3, Nelson 0, Harmon 2, Adamson 3, Matthews 0, McEnroe 0.

### Cardinals 79, Pioneers 66 SJFC vs. Utica College, Feb. 16

Utica	24	42	-	66
Fisher	37	42	-	79

**Utica:** Munch 2, Herring 16, Lighthall 14, Bryant 0, McClendon 1, Collier 14, Bitetto 2, Acevedo 8, Diaz 2, Goodman 3, Whyte 0, Preston 0.

**Fisher:** Beigel 15, Mueller 21, Newman 4, Baltz 20, McSweeney 15, McKeever 0, Bearden 3, Coyne 0, Smalt 1.

### Cardinals 73, Hawks 49 SJFC vs. Hartwick College, Feb. 17

Hartwick	21	28	-	49
Fisher	31	42	-	73

**Hartwick:** Lanzi 5, Cocozziello 12, Hulick 2, Doyley 9, Carson 15, Tracy 0, Mantas 3, Bankowski 1, Phillips 0, Connolly 2.

**Fisher:** Beigel 14, Mueller 10, Newman 8, Baltz 11, McSweeney 2, Bearden 0, Coyne 0, Lidell 0, Stevens 1, Fenyn 19, Wopperer 2, Smalt 6, Haley 0.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

### Bombers 81, Cardinals 69 SJFC at Ithaca College, Feb. 9

Fisher	27	42	-	69
Ithaca	46	35	-	81

**Fisher:** Boehm 26, Dean 14, Francis 1, Tubbs 8, Comfort 7, Ainslie 2, Taliento 5, Nolan 0, Leathem 3, Napoleone 3, Issel-

hard 0, Cameron 0.  
**Ithaca:** Steele 14, Fessette 5, Sanvidge 10, Kelly 27, Smith 2, Carnovale 0, Rumschik 0, Bixby 13, Burke 3, Friel 3, Bradley 4.

### Soaring Eagles 65, Cards 48 SJFC at Elmira College, Feb. 10

Fisher	23	25	-	48
Elmira	29	36	-	65

**Fisher:** Boehm 8, Dean 6, Comfort 8, Francis 9, Tubbs 6, Ainslie 2, Taliento 0, Kanalley 0, Leathem 4, Napoleone 3, Isselhard 2, Grady 0, Cameron 0.

**Elmira:** Symonds 3, Catanese 9, Troutman 6, Coakley 11, Anderson 11, Balady 0, Woychak 0, Kent 7, Bliss 4, Lopez-Pitts 4, Jax 2, Strzalka 0, Adams 0.

### Pioneers 65, Cardinals 55 SJFC vs. Utica College, Feb. 16

Utica	26	39	-	65
Fisher	25	30	-	55

**Utica:** Snyder 0, Thomas 10, Keating 12, Crisanti 9, Danziger 5, Davis 28, Vasta 4.  
**Fisher:** Boehm 17, Francis 12, Tubbs 0, Dean 14, Comfort 6, Ainslie 4, Taliento 0, Leathem 2, Napoleone 0.

### Cardinals 78, Hawks 64 SJFC vs. Hartwick College, Feb. 17

Hartwick	40	26	-	64
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Fisher 26 52 - 78  
**Hartwick:** Foro 0, Knight 7, Tichy 12, Wilson 30, Harrison 3, Dean 2, Galm 2, Dresser 0, Adams 6, Caddell 2.  
**Fisher:** Boehm 15, Francis 16, Tubbs 0,

Dean 5, Comfort 10, Ainslie 8, Taliento 0, Kanalley 8, Leathem 0, Napoleone 16, Isselhard 0, Babbie 0.

Compiled by Tyler Dunne



## E8 STANDINGS

### MEN'S BASKETBALL FINAL STANDINGS

Standings	Empire 8		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
1. SJFC	11	3	20	5
2. Utica	10	4	18	6
3. Ithaca	9	5	14	11
4. Alfred	8	6	10	14
RIT	8	6	14	11
6. Nazareth	6	8	11	14
7. Hartwick	3	11	10	15
8. Elmira	1	13	2	23

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL FINAL STANDINGS

Standings	Empire 8		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
1. Elmira	12	2	20	5
2. Ithaca	10	4	14	11
Utica	10	4	18	7
4. RIT	8	6	15	10
5. SJFC	7	7	13	12
6. Nazareth	6	8	9	14
7. Hartwick	3	11	7	18
8. Alfred	0	14	4	21

## SPORTS CALENDAR

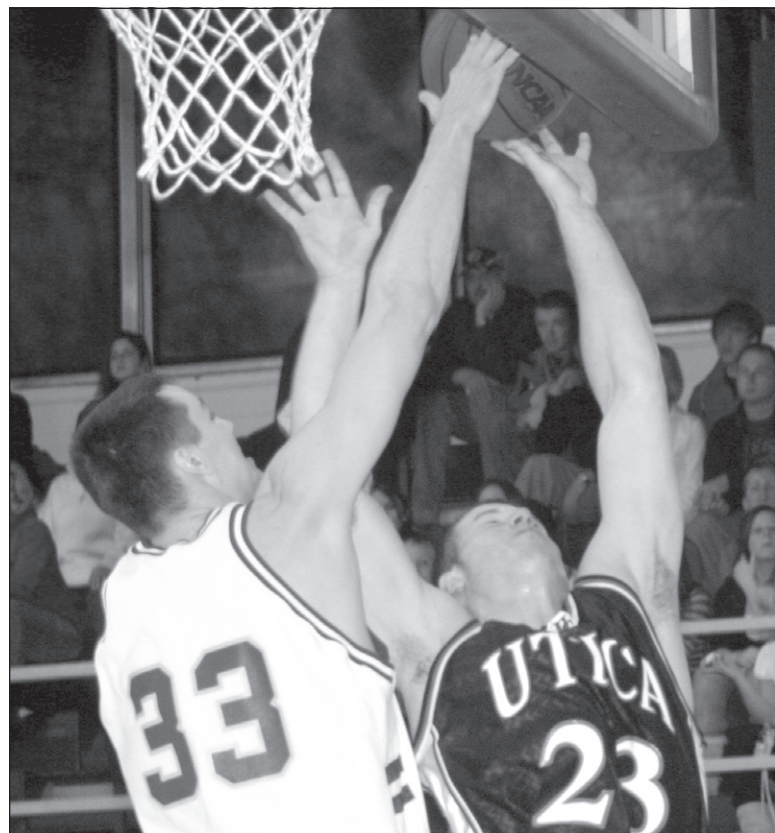
Feb. 23

**Empire 8 conference semifinals**  
#1 Men's basketball vs. #4 RIT, 6 p.m.

#2 Utica College vs. #3 Ithaca College at Manning-Napier, 8 p.m.

Feb. 24

**Empire 8 championships**  
Winner of #1 and #4 vs. Winner of #2 and #3 at Manning-Napier, 4 p.m.



Brad Waters

Dan McSweeney (33) denies a layup attempt by Jack Lighthall (23).

## Men's

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A dominant 73-49 victory over Hartwick sealed the deal for Fisher, ensuring them home court advantage for the Empire 8 Championships for the fourth consecutive season since the tournament's inception in 2004.

The Cardinals led by ten at halftime 31-21, but came out on a mission in the second half.

Fisher shot 55.6 percent in the second 20 minutes of the game, going on a 25-12 run through the halfway point of the final half.

With 8:07 remaining Fisher held a 56-33 advantage, as the wind had completely fallen out of the sails of the fledgling Hawks.

The Cardinals' lead would swell to as many as 27 points before reaching the 73-49 final.

The true story of the afternoon was the college's honoring of seniors McSweeney, Mueller and Adrian Fenyn. These men may go down as the winningest class to ever graduate from St. John Fisher.

While McSweeney and Mueller have been key contributors in recent years, Fenyn has been the ever ready bench player for Fisher. However, Feb. 17 was Fenyn's night to shine. The Newark-native dropped 19 points in 21 minutes, scoring a career high on the night of his honoring.

Three other Fisher players joined Fenyn in double figures. Beigel ended the day with 14 points; Baltz scored 11 points,

while Mueller added 10.

The win pushed Fisher's regular season record to 20-5, marking the college's fifth consecutive 20-win season. The Cardinals' 11-3 Empire 8 record was just enough to clinch the regular season title and home court advantage for the playoffs.

Fisher will continue their run for the NCAA Tournament Friday, Feb. 23 against the number four seeded RIT Tigers in the Manning-Napier Varsity Gym at 6 p.m. Second-seeded Utica will play third seeded Ithaca immediately following Fisher's game at 8 p.m.

The two semi-final winners will go head to head on Saturday at 4 p.m. attempting to become the 2006-2007 Empire 8 men's basketball champions.

The winner of the Empire 8 Tournament receives an automatic berth to the NCAA Division III National Tournament. Fisher reached the "Elite 8" round of the NCAA's last season.

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## EXTRA INNINGS Just a fantasy?

EDITOR IN CHIEF  
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A few seasons ago, I filled the *Extra-Innings*-reading public in on the fantasy football league that I was playing in. For those of you who have lost sleep wondering how I did that season, I'll let you know that I lost in the semifinals. Oh well.

I'm even more excited today though, since I just signed up my fantasy baseball league. Yes, I'm trying to letter in two fields of dork. Don't worry though - I re-



fuse to play fantasy NASCAR. I won't even follow real NASCAR. If I want to see an accident on TV, I'll just wait until they air *Ghost Rider*.

But anyway, I signed up my fantasy baseball league today. I'm the commissioner of the league and it's basically been the same group of guys competing in Zoft Fantasy Baseball for seven years now. I'm pretty proud of the fact that we're entering our seventh year. For me, the league is as close as I can get to having a baby without actually paying child support.

ZFB - that's short for Zoft Fantasy Baseball, the name of my league - was created on a whim. A buddy of mine and I were dis-

cussing playing fantasy baseball and I just happened to be the one to research it and set it up. And now, seven years later, it's still thriving.

In the six seasons past, I've yet to win a championship. The closest I came was fourth... but that was back when we only had eight teams. I finished tenth out of 12 last season. Albert Pujols hit like .450 for me while everyone else batted my IQ - which is 138, in case you were wondering. I'd love to win the league one day but at least people can realize that I'm not fixing my own league. Gee, if I were to fix it, I'd make sure I at least finish third.

For those of you who have

heard me talk about the league, you've heard my spiel about how fantasy sports let's you stay in touch with friends, blah, blah, blah. But it's true. When I started this league, I was a freshman in high school. I'm a junior in college now. Seven seasons. I really don't even remember what my life was like when I was 15 anymore. I'm sure it was pretty awkward and included a menagerie of bad clothes and poor social skills. I had a Slushee thrown at me in ninth grade.

Where was I going with this? Oh, bonds through fantasy sports. I've played the game (that's what those of us who don't play real games refer to it as) with just about the same group

for going on seven years. How great is that? There's a shared history that only a little more than a dozen people can say they were a part of.

Well, hopefully this is my season. I've rechristened my team this year in hopes of changing years of bad luck. The Highlanders are no more - the Ghosthaws will take the field this April. The draft will be in a few weeks and then I can begin to dream of the glory that can come over the next few months. I can't wait.

Play ball.

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