

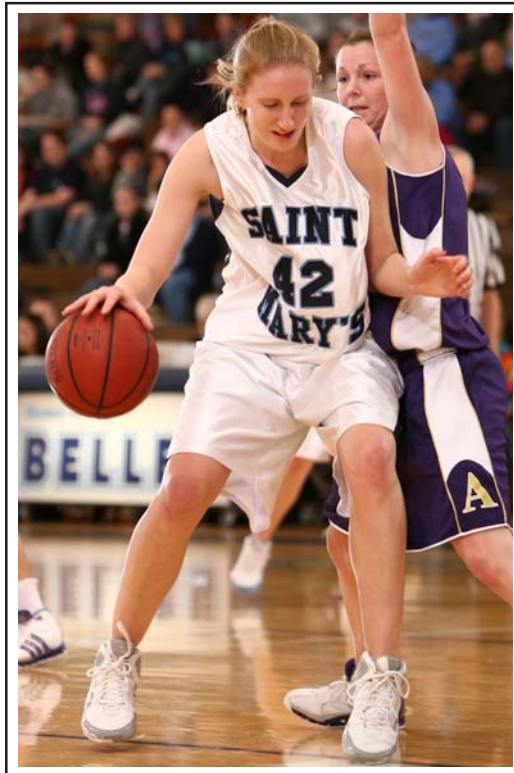
Saint Mary's Basketball



Alison Kessler (Jr., New Praire, IN)



Bridget Lipke (Sr., Hinsdale, IL)



Erin Newsom (So., South Bend, IN)



2006-2007 Season

Season Outlook

After posting the best conference season in school history last season, expectations are reaching new levels for the Belles basketball program.

The Belles finished 9-7 in the MIAA last season which was good for third place which allowed the team to host their first ever conference tournament game. In the previous eight seasons in MIAA competition, Saint Mary's never posted a winning record or finished higher than sixth in the final standings.

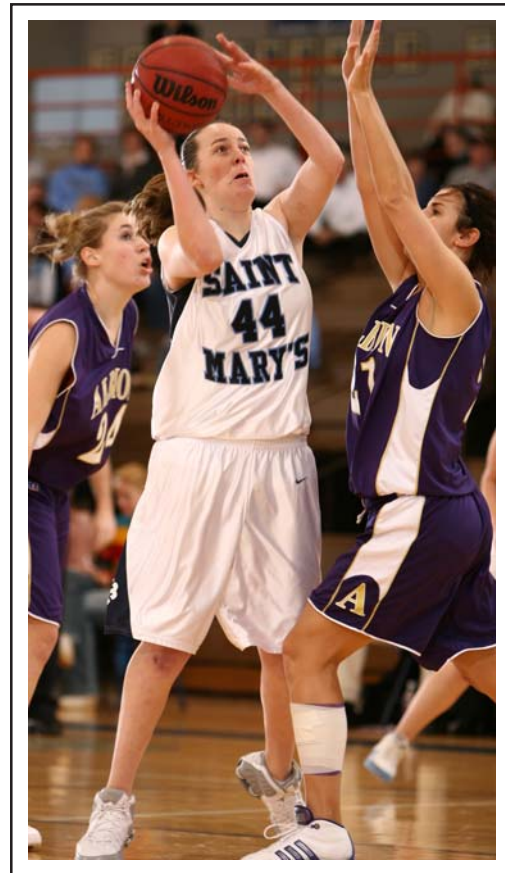
Under the guidance of first-year head coach Jennifer Henley the Belles will look for further improvement this season, "We are going to use an up tempo style of play with a strong emphasis on fundamentals. For us to be successful this season we need to be willing to push ourselves."

Junior guard Alison Kessler, a first-team all-conference selection last season, leads a group of returning players who will form the foundation of the 2006-07 team. Last season she led the team in scoring in becoming the first Saint Mary's player to receive a first-team selection in five years.

Senior guard and second-team all-MIAA pick Bridget Lipke once again is expected to play a major role after leading the league in assists last season. Sophomore Erin Newsom also returns after a rookie season that earned her honorable mention from the conference coaches.

"I expect our top three returning scorers to play a vital role through out the season. While the team's success doesn't totally rely on them, they will help set the tone each game," Henley said.

Among other returning players will be forward Nicole Beier who scored 4.9 points a contest last year along with Stefanie Broderick who saw time in 17 games last year. A young Belles squad will also look to a group of first year of players to give them a boost as they build a winning tradition.



Nicole Beier (So., Fort Wayne, IN)

LEADING RETURNING PLAYERS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Yr.</i>	
			PPG
Alison Kessler	G	Jr.	14.2
Erin Newsom	F/C	So.	9.2
Bridget Lipke	G	Sr.	6.9
			RPG
Erin Newsom	F/C	So.	6.2
Bridget Lipke	G	Sr.	4.5
Alison Kessler	G	Jr.	3.8
			APG
Bridget Lipke	G	Sr.	5.5
Alison Kessler	G	Jr.	1.9

Saint Mary's in the MIAA

YEAR	PLACE	COACH	MIAA CHAMPION
1998-1999	9 th	Dave Roeder	Calvin College & Defiance College
1999-2000	8 th	Dave Roeder	Hope College
2000-2001	8 th	Suzanne Smith	Hope College
2001-2002	6 th	Suzanne Smith	Hope College
2002-2003	8 th	Suzanne Bellina	Hope College
2003-2004	6 th	Suzanne Bellina	Calvin College
2004-2005	6 th	Suzanne Bellina	Albion College
2005-2006	T-3 rd	Steve Bender	Hope College

SAINT MARY'S ALL-MIAA HONOREES

YEAR	HONOR	NAME(S)
2001-2002	First Team	Anne Blaire (SR)
2002-2003	Second Team	Emily Creachbaum (SO)
2003-2004	Second Team	Emily Creachbaum (JR)
2004-2005	Second Team	Bridget Boyce (JR)
2005-2006	First Team	Alison Kessler (SO)
	Second Team	Bridget Boyce (SR), Bridget Lipke (JR)

MIAA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

YEAR	NAME
2003-2004	Katie Boyce (JR), Defensive

ACADEMIC ALL-MIAA

YEAR	NAME
1998-1999	Cortney Litka (SO), Julie Norman (SO), Jamie Stouffer (FR)
1999-2000	Mary Campione (SO), Kristen Matha (FR), Karoline Pershell (SO), Jamie Stouffer (SO)
2000-2001	Mary Campione (JR), Leigh Ann Matesich (FR), Julie Norman (SR)
2001-2002	Jamie Dineen (SR), Kristen Matha (JR), Emily Wagoner (FR)
2002-2003	Katie Boyce (SO), Kristen Matha (SR), Katie Miller (JR)
2003-2004	Stefanie Broderick (FR), Emily Creachbaum (JR), Julia Malone (FR), Katie Miller (SR)
2004-2005	Katie Boyce (SR), Maureen Bush (SR), Emily Creachbaum (SR), Alison Kessler (FR)
2005-2006	Shelly Bender (SR), Stefanie Broderick (JR), Megan Conaty (FR), Calli Davison (FR), Alison Kessler (SO), Emily Light (FR), Katie Rashid (FR)

Final 2006 MIAA Standings

	LEAGUE		OVERALL	
	W	L	W	L
Hope	16	0	33	1
Calvin	14	2	23	5
Saint Mary's	9	7	11	15
Albion	9	7	17	9
Olivet	8	8	13	14
Alma	7	9	13	12
Adrian	4	12	9	16
Kalamazoo	4	12	8	17
Tri-State	1	15	2	24

MIAA Tournament Results

Play-in Game	Semi-Finals
#8 Kalamazoo 68, #9 Tri-State 66	Calvin 63, Alma 52
First Round	Hope 78, Olivet 51
#1 Hope 80, Kalamazoo 47	Championship
#2 Calvin 75, #7 Adrian 46	Hope 63, Calvin 44
#6 Alma 49, #3 Saint Mary's 46	
#5 Olivet 65, #4 Albion 58	<i>Home Team in Italics</i>

Hope Wins National Title

For the third time in league history, the women's basketball Division III champion came from the MIAA. Last season, Hope defeated five ranked teams in the NCAA Tournament en route to hoisting the championship trophy. Previously Alma won the national title in 1992 while Hope claimed it during the 1990 season.

Head Coach - Jen Henley



A veteran of five years as the head women's basketball coach at Mount Union College, Jennifer Henley takes over the Saint Mary's program.

The native of Fostora, OH played one season at Ohio Northern University until suffering a career-ending knee injury during her freshman campaign. A dual major in sport management and communication arts, Henley earned her Bachelor's degree from the Ada, OH school in 1997.

She served as an assistant coach Loras College as she worked toward the Master's in Athletic Administration she completed in 1998 prior to joining Mount Union staff as an assistant coach.

In addition to her coaching exploits, Henley taught upper-level classes at Mount Union in Human Performance and Sport Management. Prior to coming to Saint Mary's she was a teacher at an elementary school in Tampa, FL. Henley lives in South Bend with her husband Brandon Werling.

School Records

Single Game Individual Records

Most Points		
38	Julie Norman vs. Defiance	98-99
Most Three Point Baskets		
7	Julie Radke vs. Purdue-Calumet	88-89
Most Free Throws Made		
15	Alison Kessler vs. Olivet	05-06
Most Assists		
12	Bridget Lipke vs. Calvin	05-06
Most Steals		
8	Numerous Players Tied with Eight	
Most Blocked Shots		
7	Barbara Howells vs. DePauw	95-96
7	Julie McGill vs. Bluffton	97-98

Season Individual Records

Most Points		
476	Jennie Taubenheim	94-95
Most Field goals		
191	Jennie Taubenheim	94-95
Field Goal Percentage		
57.3	Jennifer Harte	88-89

Most three Point Field goals		
66	Ann Mulcahy	93-94
Most Free Throws Made		
123	Julie McGill	97-98
Free Throw Percentage (min. 2 made per game)		
89.0	Alison Kessler	04-05
Most Rebounds		
269	Julie McGill	97-98
Most Assists		
132	Bridget Lipke	05-06

Individual Career Records

Points		
1533	Jennie Taubenheim	92-96
Most Field Goals		
619	Jennie Taubenheim	92-96
Most Three Pointers Made		
130	Bridget Boyce	02-06
Most Rebounds		
683	Julie McGill	94-98
Most Assists		
353	Tammye Radke	84-88
Most Steals		
274	Jennie Taubenheim	92-96

CoSIDA Sports Information
Saint Mary's Basketball 2006-2007

GENERAL

Name of School: Saint Mary's College
City/Zip: Notre Dame, IN/46656
Founded: 1844
Enrollment: 1500
Nickname: Belles
School Colors: Blue and White
Home Court: Angela Athletic Center
Affiliation: NCAA Division III
Conference: MIAA
President: Carol Mooney
Alma Mater, Yr: Saint Mary's, '72
Athletic Director: Lynn Kachmarik
Athletic Department Phone:
 (574) 284-4694

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Jen Henley
Alma Mater, Yr.: Ohio Northern, '97
Record at School: First Year
Overall Record: 43-87
Office Phone: (574) 284-4907
Assistant Coaches:
 Gretchen Linscott and Shaun Russell

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 Sarah Miesle and Erin Carlin
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TEAM INFORMATION

Overall Record Last Year: 11-15
Record Breakdown: 5-6 (H), 2-2 (N), 4-7 (A)
Conference Record: 9-7 (T-3rd)
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2
Top Returners: Alison Kessler (1st Team MIAA, 14.2 ppg, 3.8 rpg), Bridget Lipke (2nd Team MIAA, 6.9 ppg, 5.5 apg), Erin Newsom (MIAA Honorable Mention, 9.2 ppg, 6.2 rpg)
Newcomers: TBA

SCHEDULE

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
Nov. 17	Fri.	Wheaton \$	3:00 p.m. cst
Nov. 18	Sat.	vs. Wilmington / Wis.-Whitewater \$	1:00 / 3:00 p.m. cst
Nov. 20	Mon.	ANDERSON	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 21	Tues.	MANCHESTER	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 28	Tues.	@ Hope*	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 1	Fri.	@ North Park !	7:00 p.m. cst
Dec. 2	Sat.	vs. Washington (Mo.) !	2:00 p.m. cst
Dec. 4	Mon.	@ Carthage	7:30 p.m. cst
Dec. 6	Wed.	@ Adrian*	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 9	Sat.	ALMA*	3:00 p.m.
Dec. 19	Tues.	@ IUSB	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 2	Tues.	TRI-STATE*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 4	Thurs.	@ Olivet*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 6	Sat.	CALVIN*	3:00 p.m.
Jan. 13	Sat.	KALAMAZOO*	3:00 p.m.
Jan. 17	Wed.	@ Albion*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 20	Sat.	ADRIAN*	3:00 p.m.
Jan. 24	Wed.	@ Alma*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 27	Sat.	@ Tri-State*	1:00 p.m.
Jan. 31	Wed.	OLIVET*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 3	Sat.	@ Calvin*	3:00 p.m.
Feb. 10	Sat.	@ Kalamazoo*	3:00 p.m.
Feb. 14	Wed.	ALBION*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 17	Sat.	HOPE*	3:00 p.m.
Feb.	Mon.	MIAA	
19-24	Sat.	TOURNAMENT	TBA

\$ - Wheaton College Tournament

! - North Park Viking Classic

* - MIAA Contest

Home Contests in Bold