

NTCA National Tenpins Coaches Association

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NEBRASKA-LINCOLN STILL THE ONE

HACKENSACK, NJ – The **University of Nebraska – Lincoln** was voted as the nation's No. 1 team for the third consecutive poll by the National Tenpins Coaches Association, the leadership of NCAA women's bowling. The **Huskers** received 14 of 20 first place votes in the fifth of six scheduled polls for the 2007-'08 season by the NTCA.

Nebraska-Lincoln (66-14) won two events since the last poll, winning the 32-team Morgan State Invitational in Baltimore, MD and the 16-team Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic in Bessemer, AL. These titles give the **Huskers** six championships for season.

The **University of Maryland Eastern Shore** of Princess Anne, MD (104-23) retained the No. 2 ranking, collecting four first place votes. During the three competitions this polling period, the **Hawks** finishing second at the Capital Classic in Dover, DE, fifth at the Morgan State Invitational, and third at the Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic.

Ranked third was **Vanderbilt University** of Nashville, TN. Since the last poll, the **Commodores** (66-24) placed fourth in the Morgan State Invitational and the Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic since the last poll.

The **University of Central Missouri** of Warrensburg, MO was voted as the No. 4 ranked team with one first place vote. The **Jennies** (68-21) had a strong month, capturing second place trophies in the Morgan State Invitational and the Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic.

The No. 5 ranked team was **Sacred Heart University** of Fairfield, CT. The **Pioneers** (81-20) cooled off since the last polling period, finishing 12th at the Morgan State Invitational and eighth at the Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic. Yet, **SHU** still managed to win 20 of 29 matches during those events to maintain its hefty winning percentage.

The second tier of the Top-10 was led by No. 6 **New Jersey City University** (81-30) of Jersey City, NJ. The **Gothic Knights** had a fourth place finish at the Capital Classic and a third place finish at the Morgan State Invitational. Ranked in seventh place was **Fairleigh Dickinson University** (90-36) of Teaneck, NJ. The **Knights** won their third title of the season at the Capital Classic and placed in sixth at the Morgan State Invitational. **Arkansas State University** (57-25) of Jonesboro, AR was ranked eighth after a tenth place conclusion at the Morgan State Invitational and a fifth place finish at the Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic. Ranked ninth was **Minnesota State University – Mankato** (52-23). The **Mavericks** ended in ninth place at the Morgan State Invitational and sixth place at the Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic. Rounding out the Top-10 was **Alabama A&M University** (58-27) of Huntsville, AL. The **Bulldogs** finished in seventh place at the Holiday Bowl Collegiate Classic and took home the runners-up trophy at the South West Athletic Conference Championship event.

NTCA members casting ballots for this poll were: Joe Ambrose, **Kutztown**; Sharon Brummell, **Maryland Eastern Shore**; Bob Cincotta, **Adelphi**; Karen Couvillon, **Southern**; Novella Franklin, **Florida A&M**; Amber Griffin, **Wisconsin-Whitewater**; Dawn Gugliaro, **St. Francis**; Ron Holmes, **Central Missouri**; Chris James, **Arkansas State**; Becky Kregling, **Sacred Heart**; Mike LoPresti, **Fairleigh Dickinson**; Jeff McCorvey, **Alabama A&M**; Chad Oachs, **Minnesota State-Makato**; Frank Parisi, **New Jersey City**; Joel Southern, **Elmhurst**; Bill Straub, **Nebraska-Lincoln**; Steve Wallace, **St. Paul's**; Glenn White, **Prairie View A&M**; Bud Whitman, **St. Peter's**; and John Williamson, **Vanderbilt**.

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2007-08 NTCA MARCH NATIONAL POLL

Rank	Institution, City, State	Season Record	1st Place	Total	Previously
		W - L - T	Votes	Points	Ranked
1.	University of Nebraska – Lincoln, NE	66 – 14 – 0	14	622	1
2.	Univ. of Maryland Eastern Shore, Princess Anne, MD	104 – 23 – 0	4	568	2
3.	Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN	66 – 24 – 0		506	3
4.	University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO	68 – 21 – 0	1	493	5
5.	Sacred Heart University, Fairfield, CT	81 – 20 – 0		446	4
6.	New Jersey City University, Jersey City, NJ	81 – 30 – 0		399	7
7.	Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, NJ	90 – 36 – 0		396	6
8.	Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR	57 – 25 – 0		321	8
9.	Minnesota State University – Mankato, MN	52 – 23 – 0		267	10T
10.	Alabama A&M University, Huntsville, AL	58 – 27 – 0		262	9
11.	Delaware State University, Dover, DE	83 – 47 – 0		234	10T
12.	Southern University, Baton Rouge, LA	66 – 39 – 0		210	13
13.	Jackson State University, Jackson, MS	63 – 27 – 0		147	12
14T	Adelphi University, Garden City, NY	61 – 61 – 0		126	14
14T	University of Wisconsin – Whitewater, WI	44 – 38 – 0		126	15
16.	Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, NC	78 – 15 – 0	1	120	16
17.	St. Peter's College, Jersey City, NJ	50 – 49 – 0		61	17
18.	Texas Southern University, Houston, TX	31 – 27 – 0		38	--
19.	St. Paul's College, Lawrenceville, VA	64 – 37 – 0		35	18
20.	St. Francis College, Brooklyn Heights, NY	49 – 62 – 0		33	19

Also receiving votes:

Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, IL; Bowie State University, Bowie, MD; Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, FL; Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX; Kutztown University, Kutztown, PA; Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD; Norfolk State University, Norfolk, VA; Grambling State University, Grambling, LA; Hampton University, Hampton, VA; Howard University, Washington, DC; Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, FL; Louisiana Tech, Ruston, LA; Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, NC.

Point system:

NTCA voters rank the top 20 teams on their ballot. Each position has an assigned point value, ranging from 32 points for first place and one point for twentieth place. The sums for every team receiving votes are then sorted into descending order. The specific point values follow:

1st place = 32 points, 2nd = 29, 3rd = 27, 4th = 25, 5th = 23, 6th = 21, 7th = 19, 8th = 17, 9th = 15, 10th = 13, 11th = 11, 12th = 9, 13th = 8, 14th = 7, 15th = 6, 16th = 5, 17th = 4, 18th = 3, 19th = 2, 20th = 1.

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