



SKYLINE CONFERENCE

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

2008-09 ALL-SKYLINE CONFERENCE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**KIMBERLY BLAKNEY • Farmingdale State College
Junior • Guard • Brooklyn, N.Y. (Benjamin Banneker HS)**

Farmingdale State College junior guard Kimberly Blakney, the NCAA Division III leader in both scoring and steals, was selected as the Skyline Conference Player of the Year in women's basketball. Through the conference tournament, Blakney averaged 23.3 points, 8.2 rebounds, 5.6 steals, 3.4 assists and 2.2 blocks per game. In addition to leading the nation in both scoring and steals, Blakney ranked second in the Skyline in blocks, seventh in assists and eighth in rebounding. She became the school's all-time leading scoring in just her third season.

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

**MARGAUX PICKELL • Polytechnic Institute of NYU
Freshman • Forward • Howell, N.J. (Howell HS)**

Polytechnic Institute of NYU freshman forward Margaux Pickell was named Skyline Conference Rookie of the Year. Pickell had a strong rookie season for the Fighting Blue Jays as she averaged 16.2 points, 12.7 rebounds, 2.1 assists and 1.0 blocks per game. Pickell, who earned Skyline Rookie of the Week honors on two occasions, ranked in the top 10 in four individual categories, including rebounding (1st), blocked shots (6th), scoring (7th) and free throw percentage (7th). She also led all conference players with an average of 38.2 minutes per game.

SKYLINE CHAMPIONSHIP MVP

**MEREDITH PAGGI • Mount Saint Mary College
Junior • Guard • Wappingers Falls, N.Y. (Our Lady of Lourdes)**

Mount Saint Mary College junior guard Meredith Paggi was selected as Most Valuable Player of the Skyline Conference Women's Basketball Championship after leading the Blue Knights to their 10th straight conference title. Paggi scored a game-high 24 points, including 10 consecutive points during a decisive 13-0 run early in the second half that broke open a close game. With Mount Saint Mary leading 38-31 at the 16:05 mark, Paggi connected on two 3-pointers and a pair of fast-break layups that pushed the Blue Knights' lead to 17 points.

COACH OF THE YEAR

**J. RANDALL OGNIBENE
Mount Saint Mary College**

Veteran head coach Randy Ognibene did perhaps one of his finest jobs at Mount Saint Mary. After losing three of his team's top five scorers, including a pair of all-conference performers from the 2008 conference championship team, Ognibene directed a squad with just one senior to a 23-4 overall record, a perfect 18-0 mark in Skyline Conference play and a No. 2 regional ranking. Mount Saint Mary earned its 10th straight trip to the NCAA Division III Tournament.

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

THE SAGE COLLEGES



2008-09 ALL-SKYLINE CONFERENCE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAMS

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TEAM SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The Sage Colleges

FIRST TEAM

Jennifer Danio	Sr.	F	Purchase	Staten Island, N.Y. / St. Peter's
Jessie Domes	Jr.	G	Purchase	Glenwood, N.Y. / Springville
Meredith Paggi	Jr.	G	Mount Saint Mary	Wappingers Falls, N.Y. / Our Lady of Lourdes
Lauren Percodani	Jr.	G	Mount Saint Vincent	Staten Island, N.Y. / St. Joseph's by the Sea
Pamela Robinson	Sr.	G	Old Westbury	Wheatley Heights, N.Y. / Half Hollow Hills West

SECOND TEAM

Courtney Heesemann	Jr.	F	Mount Saint Vincent	New Hyde Park, N.Y. / New Hyde Park
Samantha Johnson	So.	G	Old Westbury	Queens Village, N.Y. / Martin Van Buren
Trish McMahon	Jr.	F	St. Joseph's-L.I.	North Patchogue, N.Y./Patchogue-Medford
Margaux Pickell	Fr.	F	Polytechnic	Howell, N.J. / Howell
Shannon Sangster	Jr.	F	Mount Saint Mary	Syracuse, N.Y. / Bishop Ludden