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No. 8 SPU v No. 2 Western: Lots On The Line

Falcon Men Take 11-Game Home Streak Into Week Games get huge.

Short of the postseason, basketball games don't get much bigger than this week at Brougham Pavilion. A conference crown and home-court advantage in the men's NCAA Division II West Regional could be determined one evening, while distinguished careers will be celebrated on Senior Night. The final home stand of the regular season starts with No. 8-ranked Seattle Pacific University (11-2, 19-3) trying to reclaim first place in the region and the Great Northwest Athletic Conference from No. 2 Western Washington (11-1, 19-2) Thursday (Feb. 16). On Saturday (Feb. 18), Central Washington (6-6, 11-10) visits. The Falcons stay in town to begin next week, playing at Seattle University Feb. 23.

Wins might mean return. By winning these two games, Seattle Pacific can take a huge stride toward bringing the West Regional tournament back to Brougham in March. SPU and Western have swapped the top spot in the GNAC and West the past two weeks, and the No. 1 team at the end of the regular season will host the first three rounds of the NCAA tourney Mar. 10, 11 and 13. The Falcons have only hosted a regional twice before (1965, 2000) and each time they parlayed that edge to win West championships and trips to the Elite Eight.

A good thing going. Although its five-game win streak was snapped by Alaska Anchorage (89-75), Seattle Pacific is still enjoying its second-best season on record; only the 20-2 opening to 2001-02 is superior. And at home, SPU has been unbeatable, winning 11 in a row, including a 10-0 mark this season. The Falcons execute exceptionally well on offense at home, averaging 91.4 points and shooting 55 percent overall, 46 percent on three-pointers. They have outscored visitors by an average of 10.0 in the second half. The last team to go unbeaten at home was in 1996-97.

Gold Dust. February's the shortest month of the year, and it's also been the hottest for **Dustin Bremerman** (Sr., 6-4, Yakima, Wa./Eisenhower). In the last four games, Bremerman has been shooting very, very well. He has hit 58 percent from both inside and outside the three-point arc and averaged 24.5 points. Bremerman connected on a career-high eight treys and scored 34 points in an 88-82 comeback win at Alaska Fairbanks last week, and at home this year he's averaging 21.4 and shooting 52 percent outside the arc. He leads the team in season scoring (19.0) and is eighth in NCAA three-point percentage (.464).

Comeback kids. It's difficult to keep a good team down, which became apparent up in Alaska. The Falcons rallied from a 16-point deficit at Fairbanks and sliced a 17-point UAA lead to six in the final minutes before succumbing at Anchorage. Seven times this season SPU has come from at least eight points behind to win, including three on the road. Along with Bremerman, **Tony Binetti** (Sr., 6-1, Enumclaw, Wa.) fulfilled a vital role in Fairbanks. Binetti scored 22 of his 24 points in the second half, including 13 (three consecutive treys) during a 26-9 run which reversed the game's course. Binetti made 8 of 9 second-half shots, including 4-5 threes. He is No. 2 in season scoring (18.5) and has committed only two turnovers (with 15 assists) in the last three games.

Alter egos. Talk about a split personality. Often times Coach **Jeff Hironaka** will make a substitution involving his low port force, **Robbie Will** (So., 6-10, Seattle, Wa./O'Dea-Bellevue CC), and slender sixth man, **Mike Bushmaker** (Sr., 6-7, Yakima, Wa./Eisenhower). Both average about 11 points but the nature of their game is totally different and it seems to confound foes.

2005-06 MEN'S BASKETBALL

SPU Quick Facts

2005-06 Record—19-3 (GNAC 11-2)

Coach—Jeff Hironaka

Coach's Career Record—69-36 (4th year)

This Week's Games

Thr., Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m.

SPU v Western Washington

Brougham Pavilion, Seattle, Wa.

Sat., Feb. 18, 7 p.m.

SPU v Central Washington

Brougham Pavilion, Seattle, Wa.

Last Week's Results

SPU 88, at Alaska Fairbanks 82

at Alaska Anchorage 89, SPU 75

Streaks & Such

The Falcons have won 11 straight at home and are 10-0 this season

Stat de jour

In four February games, Dustin

Bremerman has hit 58 percent of his 3-pointers and averaged 24.5 points

GNAC Standings

	W	L	W	L
Western Washington	11	1	19	2
Seattle Pacific	11	2	19	3
Humboldt State	7	5	13	7
Alaska Anchorage	7	6	16	9
Alaska Fairbanks	7	6	14	8
Central Washington	6	6	11	10
Seattle University	5	8	12	10
Northwest Nazarene	5	8	10	12
Western Oregon	2	10	7	14
Saint Martin's	2	11	7	15

NCAA National Rankings

1. Fort Hays State (Ks.)
2. Western Washington
3. Barton (NC)
4. Delta State (Ms.)
5. Saint Joseph's (In.)

also

8. Seattle Pacific

West Regional Rankings

1. Seattle Pacific
2. Western Washington
3. Sonoma State
4. Cal State Bakersfield

Will can be overpowering and dominant underneath, alternately flipping in feathery jump-hooks and driving home dunks. In the last six games he has averaged 13.7 points and converted 67 percent of his field goals, and he leads the league in shot-blocking (2.14). Bushmaker, operating at the high post, tends to slash to the basket and combine with teammates on some slick back cuts to the basket. He is the highest-scoring nonstarter (11.5 points) in six years and ranks No. 3 in GNAC shooting percentage (.649).

Put-backs. Binetti, Bushmaker, **Tim Gabelein** (Sr., 6-6, Langley, Wa./South Whidbey), **Jeff Knudson** (Sr., 6-7, Mukilteo, Wa./Kamiak) and **Chad Williams** (Sr., 6-8, Burlington, Wa./Burlington-Whatcom CC) will be honored prior to Saturday's tip-off...After averaging 9.8 points over a five-game span, **Drew Matzen** (Jr., 6-4, Lynnwood, Wa./Bothell) has not taken more than three shots in his last five outings...Binetti has scored in double figures in all 22 games...Bremerman has scored 30 points or more five times this season. His eight treys was one short of the SPU record set by Drake Hudgins in 2000...Following a career-best four treys Feb. 2, Williams has scored just 14 points in the last three games...The comeback at UAF matched the 16-point rally at Cal State L.A. Nov. 26...The Falcons are only 3-3 when outscored in the second half and 3-2 when allowing opponents to shoot 50 percent or higher...**Jared Moultrie** (Jr., 6-2, West Point, Ut./Clearfield-Salt Lake CC) has 14 assists in the last three games...Seattle Pacific is No. 1 in conference blocked shots (4.09) and overall shooting (.520, 3rd in the NCAA). It's No. 2 in field goal percentage defense (.449) and No. 3 in scoring (86.0, 16th nationally), free throw percentage (.760, 8th in the nation) and three-point accuracy (.409, 11th in Div. II). Individually, Will leads in blocked shots (2.14, 17th in nation) and Binetti in three-point accuracy (.529). Binetti is No. 4 in assists (5.2) and fifth in steals (1.82)...A shakeup in the national rankings resulted in Fort Hays State (Ks.) replacing Virginia Union at No. 1, followed by Western Washington. Seattle Pacific slid three spots but remained in the top 10 for the 11th week in a row...Regionally, Western will likely overtake SPU at No. 1. No. 3 Sonoma State was the only other team in the top eight to avoid at least one loss... Seattle Pacific and WWU are now four games ahead of the pack in the GNAC win column with three weeks remaining.

Opponent & series notes. Western Washington has won three in a row, but by a combined margin of just four points. The Vikings lead the NCAA in free throw shooting (.792) and are No. 3 in scoring (94.6) and No. 4 in shooting (.518). They feature a prolific 1-2 punch of Grant Dykstra (22.6 points, 8th in the NCAA) Ryan Diggs (21.9, 15th). SPU leads the series 62-42 but was beaten 95-84 in Bellingham Jan. 21. Seattle Pacific shot just 43 percent and hit only 5 of 19 treys...After losing five straight, Central Washington won its last two at home. The Wildcats shoot 50.5 percent but allow 85.0 points. The Falcons trail the series 60-39 yet have wins in 11 of the last 14 meetings. They won 99-91 in Ellensburg last month behind the combined 58 points of Bremerman (31) and Binetti (27).

Tickets, please. Reserved tickets for all SPU home games are priced \$7 and \$6. General admission is \$5 with youth, students and senior citizens \$3 with proper identification. Groups can qualify for discounts by calling (206) 281-2085 in advance.

2005-06 Men's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos	Hgt	Yr	Exp	Hometown (High School/Last Coll.)
3	Jeff Knudson	F	6-7	Sr	3V	Mukilteo, Wa. (Kamiak)
4	Jared Moultrie	G	6-2	Jr	TR	West Point, Ut. (Clearfield/Salt Lake)
11	Tony Binetti ✓	G	6-1	Sr	3V	Enumclaw, Wa. (Enumclaw)
13	Mike Bushmaker	F	6-7	Sr	3V	Yakima, Wa. (Eisenhower)
15	Brian Lynch	G	6-1	Jr	TR	Missoula, Mt. (Great Falls/Montana)
20	Austin Yuen	G	5-8	Jr	2V	Mercer Island, Wa. (Mercer Island)
22	Chad Williams ✓	F	6-8	Sr	2V	Burlington, Wa. (B-Edison/Whatcom)
23	Tim Gabelein	F/C	6-6	Sr	2V	Langley, Wa. (South Whidbey)
30	Drew Matzen ✓	F	6-4	Jr	2V	Bothell, Wa. (Lynnwood)
32	Dustin Bremerman ✓	F/G	6-4	Jr	2V	Yakima, Wa. (Eisenhower)
40	Robbie Will ✓	C	6-10	So	RS	Seattle, Wa. (O'Dea/Bellevue CC)

Head Coach: Jeff Hironaka

Assistant Coaches: Brock Veltri, Scott Reid, George Parker

✓ Projected starters

2005-06 Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Res./Time
Nov. 1	AL BLUE ANGELS (Ex.)W,	102-79
Nov. 10	at BYU (Exhib.)	L, 72-86
Nov. 12	at New Mexico (Exhib.)	L, 53-71
N. 18-19	Sodexho tip-Off Classic	
Nov. 18	CS MONTEREY BAY	W, 95-79
Nov. 19	CS SAN BERNARDINO	W, 85-81
Nov. 25-26	CSLA Classic (Los Angeles, Ca.)	
Nov. 25	SPU v CS Dominguez HillsW,	70-68
Nov. 26	SPU at Cal State L.A.	W, 73-70
Dec. 3	Oak Harbor Freight Lines Challenge	
	HAWAII PACIFIC	W, 69-54
Dec. 13	at Nevada	L, 57-83
Dec. 17-18	High Desert Classic (Las Vegas, Nv.)	
Dec. 17	SPU v Missouri Southern	W, 93-65
Dec. 18	SPU v Pittsburg State	W, 83-77
Dec. 21	at Cal Poly Pomona	W, 69-66
Dec. 31	NW NAZARENE*	W, 124-107
Jan. 5	at Western Oregon*	W, 89-74
Jan. 7	at Humboldt State*	W, 97-87
Jan. 12	ALASKA ANCHORAGE*W,	87-80
Jan. 14	ALASKA FAIRBANKS*W,	93-66
Jan. 19	at Central Washington*	W, 99-91
Jan. 21	at Western Washington*	L, 84-95
Jan. 26	SAINT MARTIN'S *	W, 88-79
Jan. 28	SEATTLE UNIVERSITY *W,	82-73
Feb. 2	HUMBOLDT STATE*	W, 97-92
Feb. 4	WESTERN OREGON *	W, 94-79
Feb. 9	at Alaska Fairbanks*	W, 88-82
Feb. 11	at Alaska Anchorage*	L, 75-89
Feb. 16	WESTERN WASHINGTON *	7:30
Feb. 18	CENTRAL WASHINGTON *	7:00
Feb. 23	at Seattle University*	7:00
Feb. 25	at Saint Martin's*	7:00
Mar. 4	at Northwest Nazarene*	6:00
Mar. 10-13	NCAA West Regional	
Mar. 22-25	NCAA Elite Eight (Springfield, Ma.)	

*Great Northwest Athletic Conference games

2005-06 Season Leaders

Scoring

Dustin Bremerman	19.0
Tony Binetti	18.5
Mike Bushmaker	11.5
Robbie Will	11.1
Chad Williams	10.0

Rebounds

Robbie Will	6.5
Chad Williams	5.0
Dustin Bremerman	4.9

Assists

Tony Binetti	5.2
Jared Moultrie	2.9

Steals

Tony Binetti	1.8
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Blocked Shots

Robbie Will	2.1
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Field Goal Percentage

Mike Bushmaker	.649
Robbie Will	.587

Three-Point Percentage

Tony Binetti	(46-87) .529
Dustin Bremerman	(64-138) .464

Free Throw Percentage

Dustin Bremerman	(76-90) .844
Tony Binetti	(88-106) .830

Team	Pts.	Reb	FG%	FT%	3P%
SPU	86.0	34.1	.520	.760	.409
Opp.	79.0	35.4	.449	.678	.377

The Automated ScoreBook
 Seattle Pacific Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 11, 2006)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(19-3)	(10-0)	(6-3)	(3-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(11-2)	(7-0)	(4-2)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(8-1)	(3-0)	(2-1)	(3-0)

##	Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA	Pct	---REBOUNDS---				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct			Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
32	Bremerman,Dustin...	22-22	685 31.1	139-263	.529	64-138	.464	76-90	.844	31	76	107	4.9	40	0	53	42	5	20	418	19.0
11	Binetti,Tony.....	22-22	687 31.2	137-236	.581	46-87	.529	88-106	.830	13	61	74	3.4	59	0	115	52	9	40	408	18.5
13	Bushmaker, Mike....	22-1	472 21.5	98-151	.649	4-13	.308	52-72	.722	17	54	71	3.2	48	0	32	31	13	12	252	11.5
40	Will,Robbie.....	22-21	473 21.5	101-172	.587	0-0	.000	43-75	.573	44	98	142	6.5	61	1	25	32	47	7	245	11.1
22	Williams,Chad.....	22-22	551 25.0	78-189	.413	29-84	.345	35-43	.814	27	84	111	5.0	41	0	53	40	7	6	220	10.0
30	Matzen,Drew.....	22-22	451 20.5	51-101	.505	18-41	.439	14-24	.583	10	53	63	2.9	24	0	31	13	5	8	134	6.1
04	Moultrie,Jared.....	22-0	524 23.8	28-57	.491	11-27	.407	30-38	.789	18	50	68	3.1	38	0	63	27	2	20	97	4.4
15	Lynch,Brian.....	16-0	229 14.3	17-58	.293	8-38	.211	13-15	.867	7	22	29	1.8	25	1	23	24	2	9	55	3.4
03	Knudson,Jeff.....	21-0	234 11.1	15-46	.326	10-36	.278	10-11	.909	9	19	28	1.3	21	0	22	10	0	6	50	2.4
23	Gabelein,Tim.....	13-0	77 5.9	3-8	.375	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	3	10	13	1.0	21	1	3	6	0	2	7	0.5
20	Yuen,Austin.....	8-0	17 2.1	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	3-4	.750	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	1	1	0	0	5	0.6
TEAM.....										19	26	45	2.0	0		2					
Total.....		22	4400	668-1285	.520	190-465	.409	365-480	.760	198	553	751	34.1	380	3	421	280	90	130	1891	86.0
Opponents.....		22	4401	631-1404	.449	174-462	.377	301-444	.678	293	486	779	35.4	414	-	355	289	49	129	1737	79.0

TEAM STATISTICS	SPU	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	1891	1737	11/18/05	CAL ST. MONTEREY BAY	W	95-79	573
Points per game.....	86.0	79.0	11/19/05	CAL ST. SAN BERNARDINO	W	85-81	820
Scoring margin.....	+7.0	-	11-25-05	vs CS Dominguez Hills	W	70-68	82
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	668-1285	631-1404	11-26-05	at Cal State L.A.	W	73-70	243
Field goal pct.....	.520	.449	12/03/05	HAWAII PACIFIC	W	69-54	827
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	190-465	174-462	12-13-05	at Nevada	L	57-83	6422
3-point FG pct.....	.409	.377	12-17-05	vs Missouri Southern	W	93-65	130
3-pt FG made per game..	8.6	7.9	12/18/05	vs Pittsburg State	W	83-77	230
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	365-480	301-444	12/21/05	at Cal Poly Pomona	W	69-66	149
Free throw pct.....	.760	.678	*12/31/05	NORTHWEST NAZARENE	W	124-107	319
REBOUNDS.....	751	779	*1/5/06	at Western Oregon	W	89-74	225
Rebounds per game.....	34.1	35.4	*1/7/06	at Humboldt State	W	97-87	1400
Rebounding margin.....	-1.3	-	*01/12/06	ALASKA ANCHORAGE	W	87-80	409
ASSISTS.....	421	355	*01/14/06	ALASKA FAIRBANKS	W	93-66	765
Assists per game.....	19.1	16.1	*01/19/06	at Central Washington	W	99-91	1894
TURNOVERS.....	280	289	*1/21/06	at Western Washington	L	84-95	2632
Turnovers per game.....	12.7	13.1	*01/26/06	SAINT MARTIN'S	W	88-79	518
Turnover margin.....	+0.4	-	*01/28/06	SEATTLE UNIVERSITY	W	82-73	1654
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.5	1.2	*02/02/06	HUMBOLDT STATE	W	97-92	371
STEALS.....	130	129	*02/04/06	WESTERN OREGON	W	94-79	324
Steals per game.....	5.9	5.9	*02/09/06	at Alaska Fairbanks	W	88-82	853
BLOCKS.....	90	49	*02/11/06	at Alaska Anchorage	L	75-89	1199
Blocks per game.....	4.1	2.2					
WINNING STREAK.....	0	-					
Home win streak.....	10	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	6580	15459					
Home games-Avg/Game....	10-658	9-1669					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	3-147					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
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Seattle Pacific.....	886	1005	- 1891
Opponents.....	857	880	- 1737

Individual Season/Career Highs

	<i>Season</i>	<i>Career</i>
4-Jared Moultrie		
Points	12 vs. Western Oregon, 1/5/06	12 vs. Western Oregon, 1/5/06
Rebounds	7 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	7 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05
Assists	7 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	7 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05
Steals	5 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	5 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05
3-Jeff Knudson		
Points	12 vs. Humboldt State, 1/7/06	19 vs. Saint Martin's, 12/30/03
Rebounds	4 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	6 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 2/27/03
Assists	6 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	6 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05
3-pointers	3 vs. Humboldt State, 1/7/06	5 vs. Saint Martin's, 12/30/03; Central Wash., 1/22/04
15-Brian Lynch		
Points	16 vs. Cal State Monterey Bay, 11/18/05	16 vs. Cal State Monterey Bay, 11/18/05
Rebounds	4 vs. Missouri Southern, 12/17/05	4 vs. Missouri Southern, 12/17/05
Assists	5 vs. Hawaii Pacific, 12/3/05; Missouri Southern, 12/17/05	5 vs. Hawaii Pacific, 12/3/05; Missouri Southern, 12/17/05
3-pointers	4 vs. Cal State Monterey Bay, 11/18/05	4 vs. Cal State Monterey Bay, 11/18/05
11-Tony Binetti		
Points	27 vs. Central Washington, 1/17/06	27 vs. Central Washington, 1/17/06
Rebounds	7 vs. Cal State San Bernardino, 11/19/05; Humboldt State, 2/2/06	10 vs. Humboldt State, 2/24/05
Assists	11 vs. Alaska Anchorage, 1/12/06	11 vs. Humboldt State, 1/10/04; Alaska Anchorage, 1/12/06
3-pointers	5 vs. Cal Poly Pomona, 12/21/05	5 vs. Cal Poly Pomona, 12/21/05
Steals	5 vs. Saint Martin's, 1/26/06	5 vs. Humboldt State, 2/24/05; Saint Martin's, 1/26/06
13-Mike Bushmaker		
Points	27 vs. Humboldt State, 1/7/06	27 vs. Humboldt State, 1/7/06
Rebounds	8 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	8 vs. Alaska Anchorage, 12/4/03; NW Nazarene, 12/31/05
Assists	4 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05; Alaska Fairbanks, 1/14/06	5 vs. UC San Diego, 12/16/03
Steals	5 vs. Saint Martin's, 1/26/06	5 vs. Saint Martin's, 1/26/06
20-Austin Yuen		
Points	2 vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 1/14/06; Western Oregon, 2/4/06	5 vs. Pacific Lutheran, 12/10/04
Rebounds		1 vs. three teams; last Seattle Univ., 3/5/05
Assists	1 vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 1/14/06	1 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 3/3/05
Steals		3 vs. Pacific Lutheran, 12/10/04
22-Chad Williams		
Points	19 vs. Alaska Anchorage, 1/12/06	21 vs. Western Oregon, 2/26/05
Rebounds	9 vs. Cal State Monterey Bay, 11/18/05; Saint Martin's, 1/26/06	11 vs. Hawaii Hilo, 11/26/04
Assists	5 vs. five teams; last Humboldt State, 2/2/06	6 vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 1/22/05
3-pointers	4 vs. Humboldt State, 2/2/06	4 vs. Humboldt State, 2/2/06
23-Tim Gabelein		
Points	3 vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 1/14/06	5 vs. Pacific Lutheran, 12/10/04
Rebounds	3 vs. Cal State Monterey Bay, 11/18/05	3 vs. three teams; last Cal State Monterey Bay, 11/18/05
Assists	1 vs. three teams	1 vs. four teams
30-Drew Matzen		
Points	16 vs. Missouri Southern, 12/17/05	16 vs. Missouri Southern, 12/17/05
Rebounds	9 vs. Missouri Southern, 12/17/05	9 vs. Missouri Southern, 12/17/05
Assists	5 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	5 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05
3-pointers	3 vs. Alaska Anchorage, 1/12/06	3 vs. Central Washington, 1/6/05; UA Anchorage, 1/12/06
32-Dustin Bremerman		
Points	38 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05	38 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05
Rebounds	8 vs. Northwest Nazarene, 12/31/05; Central Washington, 1/17/06	8 vs. 6 teams; last Central Washington, 1/17/06
Assists	6 vs. Western Oregon, 2/4/06	8 vs. Hillsdale, 11/25/04
3-pointers	8 vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 2/9/06	8 vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 2/9/06
40-Robbie Will		
Points	22 vs. Western Oregon, 2/4/06	22 vs. Western Oregon, 2/4/06
Rebounds	11 vs. Western Washington, 1/19/06	11 vs. Western Washington, 1/19/06
Assists	4 vs. Cal State L.A., 11/26/05	4 vs. Cal State L.A., 11/26/05
Blocked shots	6 vs. Hawaii Pacific, 12/3/05; Western Washington, 1/19/06	6 vs. Hawaii Pacific, 12/3/05; Western Wash., 1/19/06