



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 13, 2006**

## Get Real: No. 4 SPU Men Open At Home Bremerman Busts for 81 vs. D-1s; Falcons Upset Murray St.

**Home for real.** As intense and competitive as the preseason was, it was strictly a series of exhibitions. For Seattle Pacific University, the first counting games on the men's basketball schedule are this weekend. The No. 4-ranked Falcons host the Sodexo Tip-Off Classic, facing Cal State L.A. Friday night (Nov. 17) and Cal Poly Pomona Saturday evening (Nov. 18) before moving on to Las Vegas and the Thanksgiving Classic Nov. 24-25. Western Washington completes the four-team field in Brougham Pavilion.

**Results matter.** The first six games will carry plenty of weight when it comes to postseason seeding in March. All are encounters with fellow West Region members of NCAA Division II and, as such, they will comprise one of the key factors for determining who qualifies for the playoffs, and also who might serve as host. A year ago, Seattle Pacific started by beating six CCAA and Pacific West Conference foes and that, along with winning the Great Northwest Athletic Conference crown, helped bring the regional tournament to Brougham Pavilion.

**Good signs.** Certainly the Falcons have been favored to contend for a tournament berth once again, but they received mixed reviews. Two national preseason polls have pegged them among the top five—their highest ever—and the GNAC coaches voted them second—in the league. Given the 76-68 victory over Murray State and close decisions against host Saint Mary's (60-71) and San Diego State (73-76) last week, SPU more closely resembles the former. Both Murray State and SDSU were defending champions of their conferences and coming off NCAA Division I tournament appearances.

**Gold Dustin.** A unanimous choice for the Shamrock Invitational all-tournament team was **Dustin Bremerman** (Sr., 6-4, Yakima, Wa./Eisenhower), who shredded defenses for an average of 27.0 points per game, including 34 against SDSU. Bremerman enters his final season ranked No. 9 in career scoring, with a chance to finish among the top three. A year ago he averaged 18.0 and hit 88 treys. He drilled 12 threes last weekend.

**Tested tough.** Hironaka wasn't sure if his team was ready to face such tough competition as last weekend, but after an admittedly sloppy start the Falcons quickly improved. Their slick offensive execution put Murray State in a 20-point hole after 20 minutes. The turnover totals dropped from 26 the first night to a combined 22 the next two games. Furthermore, **Rob Will** (Jr., 6-10, Seattle, Wa./O'Dea) and **Drew Matzen** (Sr., 6-4, Bothell, Wa./Lynnwood) showed themselves to be excellent offensive options. Will posted a double-double of 16 points and 11 rebounds against Saint Mary's. Matzen raised his production with each outing, finishing with 15 versus San Diego State.

**Taking shape.** It's a deep team and minutes must be earned. Hironaka primarily used an eight-man rotation in California. **Jared Moultrie** (Sr., 6-2, West Point, Ut./Clearfield/Salt Lake CC), last year's No. 3 guard and backup at the point, was an effective floor leader. Revolving into the backcourt were **Brian Lynch** (Sr., 6-1, Missoula, Mt./Great Falls) and **Marques Echols** (Jr., 6-2, Seattle, Wa./Garfield-Peninsula). In the frontcourt, transfer **JoJay Jackson** (Jr., 6-5, Fairfield, Ca./Vallejo-Solano JC) started and averaged 8.7 points and made a team-high five steals. Spelling him and Will was redshirt **Rob Diederichs** (Fr., 6-8, Shoreline, Wa./Shorewood), who drained 4 of 9 treys.

## 2006-07 MEN'S BASKETBALL

### SPU Quick Facts

2006-07 Record— 26-6 (14-4 GNAC)  
 Coach—Jeff Hironaka, 5th year  
 Coach's SPU Record— 76-39

### This Week's Games

*Fri.-Sat., Nov. 17-18*  
 Sodexo Tip-Off Classic  
*Brougham Pavilion, Seattle, Wa.*

*Fri., Nov. 17*

Western Wash. v Cal Poly Pomona, 3 p.m.  
 SPU v Cal State L.A., 7 p.m.

*Sat., Nov. 18*

Western Washington v Cal State L.A., 5 p.m.  
 SPU v Cal Poly Pomona, 7 p.m.

### Last Week's Scores (exhibitions)

at Saint Mary's 71, SPU 60  
 SPU 76, Murray State 68  
 San Diego State 76, SPU 73

### Streaks & Such

SPU has won 26 of its last 28 home games, and four home openers in a row

### Stat de jour

Dustin Bremerman averaged 27.0 points in exhibitions versus three D-1 opponents

### NCAA Preseason Rankings

1. Winona State (Mn.)
  2. Montevallo (Al.)
  3. Tarleton State (Tx.)
  4. Seattle Pacific
- also*
5. Rollins (Fl.)
  12. Central Washington
  17. Central Missouri

### GNAC Preseason Poll

1. Central Washington
2. Seattle Pacific
3. Alaska Anchorage
4. Seattle University
5. Western Washington
6. Saint Martin's
7. Alaska Fairbanks
8. Northwest Nazarene

**Big O becomes a legend.** The basketball program's first All-American, the late Orville Anderson, is joining the Falcon Legends Hall of Fame. After averaging 23.2 points and 11.8 rebounds as a senior, Anderson earned honorable mention All-America. He holds the single game rebounding record (25) and graduated as season and career record holder as well (now No. 4 in career and No. 7 for season). Anderson is still No. 8 in career scoring (14.2 points per game). A longtime educator and coach, he passed away June 24. His wife Phyllis will accept his award at the induction ceremony Feb. 2.

**Put-backs.** Seattle Pacific has won 26 of 28 home games over the last two seasons. It is 4-0 in home openers under Hironaka...The win over Murray State was the first over a Div. I opponent (exhibition or counting) since 1986-87 at Eastern Washington...The initial NABC coaches poll was issued last week and SPU was ranked No. 4, even higher than the *Division II Bulletin's* No. 5 last month. Florida's Rollins and Central Missouri are Nos. 5 and 17, and meet the Falcons Dec. 15-16 in Las Vegas. Central Washington is No. 12...Ten of the program's 17 20-win seasons have come with Hironaka on the coaching staff...Central Washington is the GNAC favorite, followed closely by SPU and Alaska Anchorage. GNAC play begins Jan. 4. The league is joined by Montana State Billings next year...After this weekend, only one home game (Dec. 2, BYU Hawaii) remains before Christmas...Last season SPU was 14-0 when owning a rebounding advantage, 14-0 when having fewer turnovers and 20-0 when leading at halftime. The Falcons made 10 or more three-pointers 12 times, going 11-1...SPU has shot 48 percent or higher from the field each of the last seven seasons. It has won 19 straight games when shooting at least 50 percent...Seeing limited action last week were **Brandon Larrieu** (Fr., 5-10, Puyallup, Wa./Franklin Pierce), **Filip Popovic** (Jr., 6-7, Montenegro, Serbia/Skyline CC) and **Casey Reed** (So., 6-5, Canby, Or./Canby-Navy)... A native of Serbia, Popovic is the program's first foreign-born player since Dutchman Eric van der Veen in 1994-95. Reed and Echols were summertime transfers. Reed played 27 games, starting three, for Navy last season. Echols averaged 17.5 points and 4.8 assists at Peninsula Community College in 2003-04. Jackson scored 19.3 per game as a sophomore...**Austin Yuen** (Sr., 5-8, Mercer Island, Wa.) will miss the first half of the season while recovering from knee surgery. Yuen saw action in 12 games a year ago...CSTV plans to video stream the homecoming game Feb. 3 versus Seattle University...Although SPU shot 45 more threes (85-50) than the opposition last week, they also went to the foul line five more times. Bremerman hoisted 28 treys (making 12) and was 21-24 on free throws...Last season five players averaged 9.9 points or higher and the team came within five assists of record and shot 52.0 percent to rank second in the nation. The Falcons were also among the national leaders in free throw accuracy (8th/.767), three-point shooting (11th/.403) and scoring offense (16th/85.8)...Guards **Khalil Mathews** (Fr., 6-2, Seattle, Wa./Mercer Island), a transfer from Air Force, and **Matthew Johnson** (Fr., Fontana, Ca./Eastmont) will redshirt this season.

**Opponent & series notes.** Cal State L.A. was 10-17 last season and has been picked to finish 10th in the 12-team CCAA. The Golden Eagles are 0-5 vs. SPU, including a home loss last season...Cal Poly Pomona bounced the Falcons from the 2005 NCAA tournament en route to the Elite Eight. The Broncos missed the postseason cut last season despite going 17-10. They have three starters back. Seattle Pacific tied the series 2-2 with a 69-66 road win last year in which Bremerman scored 20 points.

### 2006-07 Men's Basketball Roster

No	Name	Pos	Hgt	Yr	Exp	Hometown (High School/Last College)
1	Marques Echols	G	6-2	Jr	TR	Seattle, Wa. (Garfield/Peninsula CC)
3	Adam Wardell	G	6-2	Fr	RS	Sedro Woolley, Wa. (Sedro Woolley)
4	Jared Moultrie ✓	G	6-2	Sr	1V	West Point, Ut. (Clearfield/Salt Lk CC)
20	Austin Yuen	G	5-8	Sr	3V	Mercer Island, Wa. (Mercer Island)
21	Casey Reed	F	6-5	So	TR	Canby, Or. (Canby/Navy)
22	Brandon Larrieu	G	5-10	Fr	HS	Puyallup, Wa. (Franklin Pierce)
23	Filip Popovic	C	6-7	Jr	TR	Montenegro, Serbia (Skyline CC)
30	Drew Matzen ✓	F	6-4	Sr	3V	Bothell, Wa. (Lynnwood)
32	Dustin Bremerman ✓	F/G	6-4	Sr	3V	Yakima, Wa. (Eisenhower)
33	Rob Diederichs	F	6-8	Fr	RS	Shoreline, Wa. (Shorewood)
34	JoJay Jackson ✓	F	6-5	Jr	TR	Fairfield, Ca. (Vallejo/Solano JC)
40	Robbie Will ✓	C	6-10	Jr	1V	Seattle, Wa. (O'Dea/Bellevue CC)
44	Brian Lynch	G	6-1	RS	1V	Missoula, Mt. (Great Falls/Montana)
	Matthew Johnson	G	6-2	Fr	HS	Fontana, Ca. (Eastmont)
	Kahlil Mathews	G	6-2	Fr	HS	Seattle, Wa. (Mercer Is./Air Force)

Head Coach: Jeff Hironaka

Assistant Coaches: Brock Veltri, Gerge Parker, Scott Reid, Adam Swinyard

✓ Projected starters

### 2006-07 Season Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.
Nov. 10-12	Shamrock Invitational (Moraga, Ca.)	
Nov. 10	at Saint Mary's	L, 60-71
Nov. 11	Murray State	W, 76-68
Nov. 12	San Diego State	L, 73-76
Nov. 17-18	SODEXHO TIP-OFF CLASSIC	
Nov. 17	CAL STATE L.A.	7:00
Nov. 18	CAL POLY POMONA	7:00
Nov. 24-25	Falcon Thanksgiving Classic (Las Vegas, Nv.)	
Nov. 24	UC San Diego	4:00
Nov. 25	Cal St. Dominguez Hills	4:00
Dec. 2	BYU HAWAII	7:00
Dec. 12	at Cal State San Bernardino	7:00
Dec. 15-16	High Desert Classic (Las Vegas, Nv.)	
Dec. 15	SPU v Central Missouri	5:00
Dec. 16	SPU v Rollins	3:00
Dec. 20	at Dixie State	6:00
Dec. 29-30	OAK HARBOR FREIGHT LINES CLASSIC	
Dec. 29	CHEYNEY	7:00
Dec. 30	DIXIE STATE	7:00
Jan. 4	at Alaska Anchorage*	8:00
Jan. 6	at Alaska Fairbanks*	8:00
Jan. 11	WESTERN OREGON*	7:00
Jan. 13	WESTERN WASHINGTON*	7:00
Jan. 18	at Northwest Nazarene*	6:00
Jan. 20	at Seattle University*	7:30
Jan. 25	SAINT MARTIN'S*	7:00
Jan. 27	at Central Washington*	7:00
Feb. 1	NORTHWEST NAZARENE*	7:30
Feb. 3	SEATTLE UNIVERSITY*	3:30
Feb. 8	CENTRAL WASHINGTON*	7:00
Feb. 10	at Western Oregon*	7:00
Feb. 17	at Saint Martin's*	7:00
Feb. 22	ALASKA FAIRBANKS*	7:30
Feb. 24	ALASKA ANCHORAGE*	7:00
Mar. 1	at Western Washington*	7:00

\*Great Northwest Athletic Conference games  
All times are Pacific

### 2006-07 Preseason Leaders

#### Scoring

Dustin Bremerman ✓	27.0
Rob Will ✓	12.3
Drew Matzen ✓	10.3
JoJay Jackson	8.7

#### Rebounds

Rob Will ✓	6.3
Dustin Bremerman ✓	5.3
Drew Matzen ✓	5.3

#### Assists

Jared Moultrie ✓	3.3
------------------	-----

#### Steals

JoJay Jackson	1.7
---------------	-----

#### Blocked Shots

Rob Will ✓	1.0
------------	-----

#### Field Goal Percentage

Rob Will ✓	.480
Dustin Bremerman ✓	.480

#### Three-Point Percentage

Rob Diederichs	(4-9) .444
----------------	------------

#### Free Throw Percentage

Dustin Bremerman ✓	(21-24) .875
--------------------	--------------

✓ returnees

Team	Pts.	Reb	FG%	FT%	3P%
SPU	69.7	30.7	.401	.714	.353
Opp.	71.7	38.3	.464	.776	.350

The Automated ScoreBook  
 Seattle Pacific Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 12, 2006)  
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(1-2)	(0-0)	(0-1)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(1-2)	(0-0)	(0-1)	(1-1)

##	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								
01	Echols,Marques.....	3-0	46 15.3	1-7	.143	0-6	.000	4-4	1.000	1	3	4	1.3	4	0	7	3	1	2	6	2.0
04	Moultrie,Jared.....	3-3	83 27.7	2-8	.250	2-5	.400	1-2	.500	7	3	10	3.3	5	0	10	7	0	4	7	2.3
21	Reed,Casey.....	2-0	8 4.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0.0
22	Larrieu,Brandon....	2-0	3 1.5	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.5
23	Popovic,Filip.....	2-0	6 3.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
30	Matzen,Drew.....	3-3	98 32.7	12-28	.429	7-20	.350	0-3	.000	4	12	16	5.3	3	0	3	3	0	2	31	10.3
32	Bremerman,Dustin...	3-3	98 32.7	24-50	.480	12-28	.429	21-24	.875	3	13	16	5.3	3	0	6	12	0	2	81	27.0
33	Diederichs,Rob....	3-0	44 14.7	6-15	.400	4-9	.444	0-0	.000	1	7	8	2.7	6	0	1	2	0	2	16	5.3
34	Jackson,JoJay.....	3-3	77 25.7	9-23	.391	5-14	.357	3-4	.750	4	3	7	2.3	14	2	6	6	0	5	26	8.7
40	Will,Rob.....	3-3	87 29.0	12-25	.480	0-0	.000	13-20	.650	4	15	19	6.3	10	1	3	8	3	2	37	12.3
44	Lynch,Brian.....	3-0	50 16.7	1-8	.125	0-3	.000	2-2	1.000	0	2	2	0.7	3	0	0	0	1	1	4	1.3
TEAM.....										1	8	9	3.0	0		4					
Total.....		3	600	67-167	.401	30-85	.353	45-63	.714	26	66	92	30.7	52	3	36	48	5	20	209	69.7
Opponents.....		3	600	78-168	.464	14-40	.350	45-58	.776	31	84	115	38.3	51	-	26	52	8	22	215	71.7

TEAM STATISTICS	SPU	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	209	215	#11/10/06	at Saint Mary's (CA)	L	60-71	2100
Points per game.....	69.7	71.7	#11/11/06	vs Murray State	W	76-68	-
Scoring margin.....	-2.0	-	#11/12/06	vs San Diego State	L	73-76	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	67-167	78-168					
Field goal pct.....	.401	.464					
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	30-85	14-40					
3-point FG pct.....	.353	.350					
3-pt FG made per game..	10.0	4.7					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	45-63	45-58					
Free throw pct.....	.714	.776					
REBOUNDS.....	92	115					
Rebounds per game.....	30.7	38.3					
Rebounding margin.....	-7.7	-					
ASSISTS.....	36	26					
Assists per game.....	12.0	8.7					
TURNOVERS.....	48	52					
Turnovers per game.....	16.0	17.3					
Turnover margin.....	+1.3	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.8	0.5					
STEALS.....	20	22					
Steals per game.....	6.7	7.3					
BLOCKS.....	5	8					
Blocks per game.....	1.7	2.7					
WINNING STREAK.....	0	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	0	2100					
Home games-Avg/Game....	0-0	1-2100					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	2-0					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
-----	-----	-----	-----
Seattle Pacific.....	109	100	- 209
Opponents.....	101	114	- 215