



2006-07 HOOD COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL GAME NOTES



GAME #3

Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament

Date: Nov. 21, 2006

Matchup: Hood College (2-0) vs. McDaniel College (1-1)

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Westminster, Md. (Gill Center)

TENTATIVE STARTERS

No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	2006-07 Stats
20	Darnell Edmonds	Sr.	G	5-9	2.5 ppg, 4.0 apg
22	Ryan Junghans	So.	G	5-10	18.5 ppg, 2.5 rpg
23	Tim Abercrombie	So.	G/F	6-2	11.0 ppg, 5.0 rpg
44	Sean Robine	Sr.	F	6-5	14.0 ppg, 6.0 rpg
55	Jesse Gutekunst	Jr.	C	6-8	13.5 ppg, 5.5 rpg

OFF THE BENCH

No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	2006-07 Stats
3	Nick Scott	Fr.	G	5-7	3.5 ppg, 1.5 rpg
11	Patrick Yoo	So.	G	5-9	1.4 ppg, 0.6 rpg*
21	Justin Junghans	Sr.	G	6-0	0.0 ppg, 0.0 rpg
23	Anthony Bennett	So.	G	5-10	1.0 ppg, 0.5 rpg
30	Chris LeGrand	So.	G	5-10	0.0 ppg, 0.0 rpg
34	Mike McCarrick	Fr.	F	6-4	1.5 ppg, 1.5 rpg
42	Joe Carpenter	Fr.	F	6-4	0.0 ppg, 0.0 rpg
45	Nnamdi Uzoukwu	So.	F	6-6	5.0 ppg, 4.0 rpg
50	Jeff Willison	So.	C	6-6	1.0 ppg, 0.5 rpg

*stats from 2005-06 season

TONIGHT'S MATCHUP

The Blazers and Green Terror meet for the second time in four days in the opening round of the second annual Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament. Hood defeated McDaniel 88-72 in the championship game of the Lebanon Valley College Rinso Marquette Tournament on Saturday. Senior Sean Robine and sophomore Ryan Junghans earned all-tournament honors while Robine was selected as the tournament MVP.

McDaniel was Hood's first-ever opponent as a varsity program back on this very date in 2003. The all-time series is knotted at 1-1.

Ryan Brandenburg leads the Green Terror in scoring averaging 20.0 ppg. Brandenburg and Ryan Finch were selected to the all-tournament team at LVC.

The Green Terror are coached by Bob Flynn who is in his second season in Westminster. Flynn served as the head coach at CAC member St. Mary's College (Md.) from 1994-99.

A WIN TONIGHT WOULD...

- ✓ Be Hood's third straight victory to start the season, a feat never before accomplished by the men's hoops squad
- ✓ Send Hood into the winners bracket of the Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament to face either Villa Julie College or Salisbury University on Saturday

2006-07 SCHEDULE

Nov. 17	Montclair State University ¹	W 55-53
Nov. 18	McDaniel College ¹	W 88-72
Nov. 21	at McDaniel College ²	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 25	vs. Villa Julie/Salisbury ²	1:30/3:45 p.m.
Nov. 26	vs. TBA ²	TBA
Nov. 29	Gallaudet University*	7 p.m.
Dec. 2	University of Mary Washington*	2 p.m.
Dec. 6	St. Mary's College of Maryland*	7 p.m.
Dec. 9	Catholic University*	4 p.m.
Dec. 29	Emory University ³	8 p.m.
Dec. 30	W&L or USMMA-King's Point ³	6/8 p.m.
Jan. 6	Messiah College	2 p.m.
Jan. 10	Marymount University*	7 p.m.
Jan. 13	Goucher College*	2 p.m.
Jan. 15	Waynesburg College	4 p.m.
Jan. 20	York College*	2 p.m.
Jan. 23	Salisbury University*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 25	Gallaudet University*	8 p.m.
Jan. 27	Univ. of Mary Washington*	2 p.m.
Jan. 31	St. Mary's College of Maryland*	7 p.m.
Feb. 3	Catholic University*	2 p.m.
Feb. 6	Marymount University*	7 p.m.
Feb. 8	Goucher College*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 14	York College*	8 p.m.
Feb. 17	Salisbury University*	2 p.m.
Feb. 20	Capital Athletic Conference Tournament	TBA
Feb. 22	Capital Athletic Conference Tournament	TBA
Feb. 24	Capital Athletic Conference Tournament	TBA

Bold indicates home games which are played at Gov. Thomas Johnson High School Gymnasium

* Capital Athletic Conference games

1 - Lebanon Valley College Rinso Marquette Tournament with McDaniel & Montclair State

2 - Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament with Frostburg State, Goucher, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Salisbury, St. Mary's (Md.) & Villa Julie (Sat. and Sun. games played at Goucher College)

3 - Washington & Lee University Tournament with Emory & U.S. Merchant Marine Academy-King's Point

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HOOD JOINS CAPITAL ATHLETIC CONFERENCE ...

On Dec. 27, 2005, Hood College announced that its athletic teams would be joining the prestigious Capital Athletic Conference beginning with the 2006-07 academic year.

So far this year, the men's soccer, men's and women's cross country and men's swim teams have begun their inaugural seasons in the CAC, with the men's basketball, men's lacrosse, men's tennis, men's indoor track and men's golf set to compete this winter and spring.

Once Hood's commitment to the Atlantic Women's Colleges Conference is complete in Spring 2007, Hood's eight women's sports teams will join the CAC as well.

The Capital Athletic Conference consists of Goucher College, Salisbury University, The Catholic University of America, Gallaudet University, Mary Washington College, Marymount University, St. Mary's College of Maryland, and York College of Pennsylvania.

SPECIAL SENIORS ...

For the first time this season, the Hood College men's basketball team is proud to include seniors on its roster. The Blazers' first year of varsity competition was 2003-04 and that season the roster was comprised of 12 freshmen. This year, Hood boasts three seniors, one junior, seven sophomores and three freshmen. Hood's trio of seniors includes guards Darnell Edmonds and Justin Junghans as well as forward Sean Robine.



QUICK HITS ON THE COACH ...

Head Coach Tom Dickman enters his fourth season as the Blazers' mentor. One of the most highly-respected and decorated head coaches in Maryland, here are a few of Dickman's accomplishments and accolades:

- ⇒ Graduated from Shepherd College in 1973 and was honored as an "Outstanding Alumnus" in 1987
- ⇒ Spent 29 years at Thomas Johnson High School and recorded 592 wins, a Maryland record for a public school coach
- ⇒ Guided the Patriots to seven state championships and 18 league titles
- ⇒ Coached the U.S. All-Star team in the McDonald's Capital Classic in 1999
- ⇒ Inducted into the Frederick County Hall of Fame
- ⇒ Served as president of the Maryland State Basketball Coaches Association
- ⇒ Started the Hood men's basketball program from scratch in 2003-04
- ⇒ Owns a 41-35 record (.539) in three-plus years as Hood's head coach

WHERE'S SANTO? ...

Hood was fortunate to receive nearly 30% of its scoring from one source over the past three years, but this year the Blazers will have to find a way to redistribute their offense.

Santo Provenzano, who ranked among the top scorers in the nation last season, has graduated from Hood. Although he has one season of athletic eligibility remaining, he chose to pursue other academic opportunities. Provenzano owns virtually every scoring record in Hood's brief history and racked up 1,633 career points in three seasons in the blue and gray.

HOOD VS. THE OPPOSITION ...

The following is a compilation of Hood's record versus its 2006-07 opponents:

Catholic.....	First meeting
Emory.....	First meeting
Frostburg State	0-1
Gallaudet.....	1-2
Goucher	1-0
Johns Hopkins.....	First meeting
King's Point.....	First meeting
Lebanon Valley	First meeting
Mary Washington	First meeting
Marymount.....	First meeting
McDaniel	1-1
Messiah.....	0-1
Montclair State	1-0
Salisbury	1-1
St. Mary's (Md.).....	First meeting
Villa Julie.....	1-1
Washington & Lee.....	First meeting
Waynesburg.....	3-0
York.....	0-1
Overall.....	9-8 (.529)

STATE "PRIDE" ON THE LINE IN TOURNNEY ...

For the second year in a row, the Blazers will be one of nine teams competing for state bragging rights in the Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament.

The tournament, which is sandwiched around the Thanksgiving holiday, provides scholarships for local students from each of the nine area schools, including Hood College, McDaniel College, Villa Julie College, Salisbury University, Goucher College, Frostburg State University, Johns Hopkins University, St. Mary's College of Maryland and Washington College.

This year, Hood will take on McDaniel in the first round in Westminster on Nov. 21. Goucher will host the semifinal and championship contests as well as the consolation games.

Hood finished in sixth place in last year's tournament with a 1-2 record. The Blazers lost to Washington College, 90-81, in the first round, then defeated Goucher, 71-59, before dropping a tight 65-63 decision to Frostburg in the fifth-place game.





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GUTEKUNST, EDMONDS RANKED AMONG NCAA LEADERS ...

At the conclusion of the 2005-06 campaign, guard Darnell Edmonds and center Jesse Gutekunst were ranked among the NCAA Division III leaders in several statistical categories.

Edmonds was ranked 85th in steals per game (2.2 spg) and 88th in assists per game (4.3 apg).

Meanwhile, Gutekunst listed 25th in blocked shots (2.2 bpg), 46th in field goal percentage (.587) and 51st in rebounding (9.0 rpg).

Additionally, the Blazers as a team allowed the opposition to shoot a stingy .408 from the floor, good for 42nd out of 379 NCAA Division III schools.

CLOSE CALLS ...

Last season, the Blazers engaged in quite a few nail-biters. Eight contests were decided by five points or less, and the Blazers came out on top in three of them.

AND NOT SO CLOSE CALLS ...

By contrast, the Blazers also left little doubt in the outcome of eight contests in which they blew out the competition by 16 points or more. Hood's most lopsided victory came on Feb. 9 against Patrick Henry College, a 114-34 Blazer rout.

In fact, Hood's 14 victories came by an average of 18.6 points while the Blazers suffered their 11 defeats by fewer than 10 points per game (9.3).

THE TJ CONNECTION ...

Head coach Tom Dickman and senior Darnell Edmonds share a special connection. Dickman was Edmonds' coach at nearby Thomas Johnson High School for two years and has mentored the starting point guard since Hood began sponsoring men's basketball as a varsity sport in 2003-04. Edmonds has started 71 of the 73 games he has played as a Blazer.

WHAT'S NEXT? ...

Following this week's Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament, the Blazers will return to Frederick for their home opener against Gallaudet University on Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. at Thomas Johnson High School. Hood's game with the Bison will also serve as its Capital Athletic Conference opener.

DOUBLE DIPPING ...

The Blazer men's basketball team will engage in a pair of doubleheaders with the Hood women's basketball program this season at Thomas Johnson High School.

On Saturday Jan. 20, the Blazer women will host Chatham at Noon followed by the men's game against York at 2 p.m.

Then on Saturday Jan. 27, both squads host the University of Mary Washington with the men's game slated for 2 p.m. and the women's tilt scheduled for 4 p.m.

WHO'S IN CHARGE HERE? ...

Following is a breakdown of how many times the Blazers recorded game-highs in different categories this season:

Scoring	Ryan Junghans	1
.....	Sean Robine.....	1
Rebounding	Jesse Gutekunst.....	1
.....	Sean Robine.....	1
Assists	Darnell Edmonds.....	2
.....	Tim Abercrombie	1
Steals	Tim Abercrombie	2
.....	Darnell Edmonds.....	1
.....	Jesse Gutekunst.....	1
.....	Sean Robine.....	1
Blocks	Nnamdi Uzoukwu	2
.....	Jesse Gutekunst.....	1
.....	Nick Scott	1

GUTEKUNST DOUBLES UP ...

Junior center Jesse Gutekunst averaged nearly a "double-double" as a sophomore. He recorded 10 "double-doubles" in total last season, including a run of six straight from Nov. 19 through Nov. 30, and was one rebound shy of three more.

The 6-8 center has 15 career "double-doubles" in just two seasons with the Blazers. He also owns seven of Hood's top single-game rebounding marks in school history, capped by a school-record 22 last season against Mount Aloysius.

FROM WAY DOWNTOWN ...

The Blazers have drained at least one three-pointer in each of their first 76 varsity contests. Hood's school record for three-pointers in a game is 16 vs. Lincoln on Feb. 12, 2005.

HOOD'S BETTER HALF ...

In both of its games last weekend, the Blazers shot remarkably better from the field in the second half. Collectively, the Blazers averaged 32 points in the first half, compared to 39.5 points in the second half. That figure is bolstered by a sizzling 65.5 percent shooting effort in the second half of the Blazers' game vs. McDaniel.

ROBINE NAMED MVP AT LVC ...

Senior Sean Robine was selected as the Most Valuable Player at the Lebanon Valley College Rinso Marquette Tournament after averaging 14.0 points and 6.0 rebounds in leading the Blazers to the tournament title. His 23-point scoring effort against McDaniel in the championship game was a career-high.

JUNGHANS EARNS ALL-TOURNAMENT HONORS ...

Sophomore Ryan Junghans made his presence known in his first game as a Blazer, tallying a game-high 24 points in Hood's opening round victory over Montclair State at the Lebanon Valley College Rinso Marquette Tournament. The 5-10 guard drilled five three-pointers and in all hit 7-of-12 from the field. He also nailed four free-throws in the final 33 seconds to clinch the victory and send the Blazers to the championship game.



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CAC LEADERS ...

Here is a listing of how the Blazers rank in the Capital Athletic Conference in different statistical categories:

Scoring	Ryan Junghans	5th (18.5)
	Sean Robine.....	17th (14.0)
	Jesse Gutekunst.....	20th (13.5)
	Tim Abercrombie	T26th (11.0)
Field Goal %	Jesse Gutekunst.....	1st (.722)
	Sean Robine.....	11th (.579)
	Ryan Junghans	15th (.524)
Rebounding	Sean Robine.....	15th (6.0)
	Jesse Gutekunst.....	T16th (5.5)
	Tim Abercrombie	T18th (5.0)
Assists	Darnell Edmonds.....	T5th (4.0)
	Tim Abercrombie	8th (3.5)
	Ryan Junghans	13th (2.5)
	Free Throw %	Ryan Junghans
3pt FG %	Ryan Junghans	4th (.615)
	Sean Robine.....	T6th (.500)
Steals	Tim Abercrombie	T2nd (2.0)
	Jesse Gutekunst.....	T7th (1.5)
	Darnell Edmonds.....	T13th (1.0)
	Sean Robine.....	T13th (1.0)
3pt FG Made	Ryan Junghans	T2nd (4.0)
	Sean Robine.....	T9th (2.0)
Blocks	Nnamdi Uzoukwu	T1st (2.0)
	Jesse Gutekunst.....	T5th (1.5)
	Nick Scott	T12th (0.5)
Off. Rebounds	Jesse Gutekunst.....	T6th (3.0)
Def. Rebounds	Sean Robine.....	T10th (5.5)
	Tim Abercrombie	15th (4.5)
Asst/TO Ratio	Darnell Edmonds.....	T4th (+2.0)
	Tim Abercrombie	10th (+1.17)
Minutes	Tim Abercrombie	T3rd (35.0)
	Ryan Junghans	T8th (32.5)
	Darnell Edmonds	T14th (31.0)

TEAM BREAKDOWN ...

A list of how the Blazers stack up as a unit in the CAC:

Scoring Offense	7th (71.5)
Scoring Defense	3rd (62.5)
Scoring Margin	3rd (+9.0)
FG Percentage	3rd (.473)
FG Percentage Defense.....	2nd (.353)
3pt FG Percentage	4th (.390)
3pt FG Percentage Defense.....	5th (.333)
3pt FG Made	T3rd (8.0)
Free Throw Percentage.....	7th (.538)
Rebounding	7th (36.0)
Rebounding Defense.....	9th (44.5)
Rebounding Margin	9th (-8.5)
Blocked Shots	2nd (4.0)
Assists	3rd (15.5)
Steals	T2nd (7.5)
Turnover Margin	3rd (+0.50)
Assist/TO Ratio	7th (+0.89)
Offensive Rebounds.....	7th (10.0)
Defensive Rebounds	5th (26.0)

LEADING THE WAY ...

At last weekend's LVC tournament, the Blazers maintained the upper hand in the scoring column virtually the entire way. The Blazers trailed for a mere 1:03 throughout the weekend and never for more than 26 seconds at a stretch.

HOOD AT THE 2005 PROVIDENT PRIDE OF MARYLAND TOURNAMENT ...

The Hood College men's basketball team opened the 2005-06 season with a sixth-place finish at the inaugural Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament.

Washington 90, Hood 81

In Hood's season opener held at Goucher College, Kyle Stem scored 29 points and Jonathan Webb added 27 to pace the Shoremen to the win. Hood held a 39-35 halftime lead and pushed its advantage to 61-51 with 11:10 remaining. However, Washington closed to within 73-68 with 5:03 left and used an 11-2 run to take the lead for good. After Hood pulled to within 82-79 on a lay-up by Provenzano with 1:58 remaining, the Shoremen scored the next eight points to put the game away. Santo Provenzano led all players with 33 points and 10 rebounds. Tim Abercrombie added 15 points in his collegiate debut, while Darnell Edmonds added 10 points and dished out a game-high five assists.

Hood 71, Goucher 59

The Blazers regrouped and posted a 71-59 win over Goucher at Villa Julie College behind 23 points and 12 rebounds from Jesse Gutekunst. Hood raced out to a 13-3 lead after the first five minutes and held a 36-27 advantage at the break. With the game tied at 48 midway through the second half, the Blazers pulled away behind an 11-0 run that was sparked by a 3-point play by Gutekunst, who added four assists, two blocks and two steals. Goucher closed to within six, 61-55, with 3:06 remaining but Hood sealed the win by hitting 11-of-13 from the free-throw line over the final 1:42. Provenzano finished with 16 points, while Sean Robine added nine points and 11 rebounds, including 10 on the defensive end.

Frostburg State 65, Hood 53

In the battle for fifth place, Dan Ryley snapped a 58-58 tie with a lay-up with just under two minutes remaining and added two free throws in the final 20 seconds to seal the win for the Bobcats. Frostburg State jumped out to a 10-2 lead but the Blazers countered with a 19-3 run over the next eight minutes to open a 21-13 advantage. The Bobcats cut Hood's lead to a single point four times before taking a 34-31 edge at halftime. The Blazers then scored 12 straight points to turn a 46-40 deficit into a 52-46 lead with 8:27 to play, but Frostburg State responded again and eventually pulled even at 58. Hood could not overcome a 3-of-27 shooting performance from 3-point range and 19 turnovers. Provenzano hit 10-of-13 from the field and finished with a game-high 25 points. Gutekunst had another strong performance with 22 points--12 from the free-throw line--and 18 rebounds. Provenzano was named to the all-tournament team after scoring 74 points and grabbing 19 rebounds in three contests.



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CAREER HIGHS ...

#3 NICK SCOTT, FRESHMAN, GUARD

Points 5 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Rebounds 3 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Assists 1 twice
 Blocks 1 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Steals 1 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Minutes 12 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)

#4 DARNELL EDMONDS, SENIOR, GUARD

Points 22 vs. Penn State Altoona (1/12/04)
 Rebounds 8 vs. John Jay (11/26/05)
 Assists 12 vs. Philadelphia Biblical (1/29/05)
 Blocks 1 eight times
 Steals 6 three times
 Minutes 43 vs. Gallaudet (11/10/04)

#11 PATRICK YOO, SOPHOMORE, GUARD

Points 15 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Rebounds 2 twice
 Assists 2 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Blocks 0
 Steals 3 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Minutes 20 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)

#21 JUSTIN JUNGHANS, SENIOR, GUARD

Points 9 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Rebounds 4 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Assists 7 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Blocks 1 vs. Mount Aloysius (11/23/04)
 Steals 3 vs. Christendom (2/19/04)
 Minutes 22 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)

#22 RYAN JUNGHANS, SOPHOMORE, GUARD

Points 24 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Rebounds 4 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Assists 3 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Blocks 0
 Steals 1 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Minutes 34 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)

#23 ANTHONY BENNETT, SOPHOMORE, GUARD

Points 2 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Rebounds 1 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Assists 1 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Blocks 0
 Steals 1 vs. McDaniel (11/17/06)
 Minutes 11 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)

#24 TIM ABERCROMBIE, SOPHOMORE, GUARD/FORWARD

Points 23 vs. Penn State Altoona (2/14/06)
 Rebounds 7 twice
 Assists 9 vs. John Jay (11/26/05)
 Blocks 1 four times
 Steals 3 six times
 Minutes 39 twice

CAREER HIGHS ...

#30 CHRIS LEGRAND, SOPHOMORE, GUARD

Points 0
 Rebounds 0
 Assists 0
 Blocks 0
 Steals 0
 Minutes 0

#34 MICHAEL MCCARRICK, FRESHMAN, FORWARD

Points 3 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Rebounds 3 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Assists 2 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Blocks 0
 Steals 0
 Minutes 5 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)

#42 JOE CARPENTER, FRESHMAN, FORWARD

Points 0
 Rebounds 0
 Assists 0
 Blocks 0
 Steals 0
 Minutes 0

#44 SEAN ROBINE, SENIOR, FORWARD

Points 23 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Rebounds 13 at Waynesburg (1/10/05)
 Assists 5 vs. Gallaudet (1/16/06)
 Blocks 3 vs. New Jersey City (1/8/06)
 Steals 4 vs. Christendom (2/19/04)
 Minutes 38 vs. Wesley (2/3/04)

#45 NNAMDI UZOUKWU, SOPHOMORE, FORWARD

Points 13 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Rebounds 5 vs. McDaniel (11/18/06)
 Assists 1 four times
 Blocks 3 vs. Montclair State (11/17/06)
 Steals 2 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Minutes 19 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)

#50 JEFF WILLISON, SOPHOMORE, CENTER

Points 18 at Waynesburg (1/31/06)
 Rebounds 9 at Waynesburg (1/31/06)
 Assists 4 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)
 Blocks 1 twice
 Steals 1 three times
 Minutes 24 vs. Patrick Henry (2/9/06)

#55 JESSE GUTEKUNST, JUNIOR, CENTER

Points 31 at Mount Aloysius (11/22/05)
 Rebounds 22 at Mount Aloysius (11/22/05)
 Assists 4 six times
 Blocks 7 vs. Marywood (1/13/05)
 Steals 5 twice
 Minutes 39 vs. Widener (11/25/05)



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2006-07 SEASON PREVIEW ...

Head coach Tom Dickman has enjoyed substantial success in his 30+ years of developing basketball players in the state of Maryland. But the task before Dickman in 2006-07 is one that the former state championship mentor meets with both great anticipation and uncertainty...coaching a Hood College men's basketball team with its first class of seniors in one of the most competitive conferences in the country.

Dickman, the winningest coach in Maryland public school history, has been at the helm since the program's inception in 2003 and is ecstatic at the fact that his squad is represented by each of the four classes for the first time.

"The first year of the program, we were playing with all freshmen against schools with all four-year players," admits Dickman, who posted an impressive 13-11 record with that group of first-year players. "Now we're finally to a point where we have seniors and we have a good senior class."

Dickman hopes that group of three seniors is poised to lead the Blazers into a new conference, the prestigious Capital Athletic Conference, with a heightened sense of urgency to make their mark by the time March draws near.

"I have really been on them, encouraging them that this is an historic moment in Hood men's athletics. This is the first men's class that has gone through and played for four years. We have a chance now to be in a league and I'd really like for them to go out with their guns blazing."

Forced to shuffle some of his athletes into unnatural positions on the court in previous years, Dickman is hopeful that this year's team will be able to showcase their talents with some of the best teams in the country.

"Size-wise, we're more like some of the teams that we are playing. I think we can match up with some teams now that we couldn't match up with in the past."



Dickman's floor general, senior Darnell Edmonds, returns for his fourth season as the Blazers' point guard. Edmonds, who averaged 5.7 points and 4.3 assists in 2005-06, was ranked among the nation's leaders in Division III in both steals and assists.

"Darnell has a lot of game experience and he's a tough competitor," comments Dickman. "We're going to need his leadership qualities this year more than ever and I think he'll step up to the

challenge. That's just the kind of person he is. I am looking forward to him having a really good year."

Dickman is also proud of the fact that his squad will boast more depth at the point guard spot than ever before with the additions of Nick Scott and Ryan Junghans. Scott is a product of Heritage High School in Leesburg, Va., while Junghans is a transfer from CAC competitor St. Mary's College of Md.

At the two-guard, Dickman will turn to senior Justin Junghans as well as his younger brother, Ryan, to provide some quality outside shooting. In addition, newcomer Anthony Bennett, a transfer from Delaware State, looks to make an immediate impact. Justin Junghans came off the bench in 21

games as a junior and nailed 10-of-22 shots from behind the arc.

"Justin has provided instant offense at different times during his career. We're anticipating him doing the same thing this year," notes Dickman. "Ryan is a great three-point shooter as well and Anthony Bennett has a knack of being able to get to the basket. He's very quick and can penetrate and make plays."



In the front court, one of Dickman's most consistent performers is sophomore Tim Abercrombie, who averaged a team-best 33.4 minutes per outing in his rookie year as a shooting guard. He contributed 11.8 points and 3.3 rebounds per game and was second on the team with 72 assists and

will likely transition to one of the forward positions this year.

"Tim has gotten a little bigger and a little stronger and we're going to need him to rebound more than he did last year, but he will be a legitimate scoring threat for us all the time," admits Dickman.

Two other newcomers who should figure significantly into Dickman's frontcourt lineup are Mike McCarrick from Fairfax, Va., and local standout Joe Carpenter from Urbana High School. McCarrick come from an outstanding prep program, Flint Hill, which won three conference championships, while Carpenter is a multi-sport athlete who at 6-4 will give the Blazers added size and strength.

"Mike is a very good outside shooter and Joe could be one of the best athletes we have," noted Dickman.

Dickman's top returning scorer and rebounder is junior Jesse Gutekunst who ranked among the leaders in Division III in field-goal percentage, rebounding and blocked shots. He contributed nearly a double-double every night out, registering 14.4 points and 9.0 rebounds per game and at 6-8 is Hood's tallest man on the roster.

"Jesse's got good size and we're hoping he is in great shape once practice starts because he's a difference maker for us," tells Dickman.

Two other veterans return to bolster Hood's inside presence in sophomores Nnamdi Uzoukwu and Jeff Willison.

"Both Jeff and Nnamdi have improved tremendously since their freshman year," observes Dickman of his two forwards who averaged 7.2 and 6.4 minutes, respectively, per night last year. "I look for both of them to get quality minutes again and more minutes than they played as freshmen."



Senior Sean Robine is a multi-faceted player who contributes in virtually every statistical category for Dickman's lineup. A starter in 22 games last season, Robine averaged 5.3 points, 6.3 rebounds and knocked down 20 shots from behind the arc as a junior. Dickman pointed out that as Robine goes, so goes his team, and if he is 100% healthy this year, that he could be that "X" factor for the Blazers in 2006-07.

"Sean is a four-year starter who can play inside and outside," stated Dickman. "When Sean had good games last year, we seemed to do pretty well. He's been



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bothered by a shoulder injury off and on during his sophomore and junior year but I think he's 100% for the first time now. He can make outside shots and he's probably our best post defender."

Dickman is confident that no matter what style of offense he runs or who his opponent is, on any given night, he and his staff will be afforded some creativity with this mix of veteran experience and untapped talent from the newcomers.

"I told our assistant coaches, this could be the most fun that we've had coaching a team just because going into the first practice, we don't know exactly what style we're going to end up playing," admits Dickman. "We've got to be able see all these guys play and then pick a style that we're going to play. Usually up to this point, we already have pin-holed what we are going to do because we knew who we had."

"I think this will be a quick team, I think we'll fast-break a lot and I think we'll be a much better three-point shooting team than we've had in the past," Dickman continues. "Whether that translates into more wins or not, I have no clue, but I think that's the way we'll play and I think it will be fun to coach. "If we can get a few breaks along the line, win some games early and get some confidence, we could cause some noise in that league."

The Blazers will be tested right out of the gates as they will face Montclair State in their season opener at the Rinso Marquette Tournament hosted by Lebanon Valley College. Hood will then take on either the host Dutchmen or local rival McDaniel College in the second game of the tournament. The Blazers will then participate in the second annual Provident Bank Pride of Maryland Tournament, which pits eight of the nine Division III schools in the Old Line State against one another in a three-day event around Thanksgiving. Hood's home opener on November 29 will also serve as its CAC debut against Gallaudet University.

"We really don't have any easy games, I mean none," warns Dickman. "Going into the Capital Athletic Conference, it's a definite step up on a nightly basis. We've played a lot of these type teams in the past but not on a game-by-game basis. We've played four or five games with teams who have been to the Final Four so that part of it is not new to us, but in this league, everybody is good. The last place team can beat anybody else. In men's basketball, it's one of the best leagues in the country. I think our guys are looking forward to it, I know our coaches are. It will be quite a challenge to compete with these teams."

So for the first time in his collegiate coaching career, Tom Dickman will be directing a special group of student-athletes who just three years ago helped build the foundation of Hood men's basketball. Now with a conference championship up for grabs and an automatic berth to the NCAA Tournament on the line, the Blazers are anxious to embark on an historic year in the chronicles of Hood College Athletics.



THE BLAZERS THIS SEASON WHEN ...

2-0.....	Overall
0-0.....	At Home
0-0.....	On the Road
2-0.....	At Neutral Sites
1-0.....	Following a Win
0-0.....	Following a Loss
0-0.....	Scoring 90+ Points
1-0.....	Scoring 80-89 Points
0-0.....	Scoring 70-79 Points
0-0.....	Scoring 60-69 Points
1-0.....	Scoring Fewer Than 60 Points
0-0.....	Allowing 90+ Points
0-0.....	Allowing 80-89 Points
1-0.....	Allowing 70-79 Points
0-0.....	Allowing 60-69 Points
1-0.....	Allowing Fewer Than 60 Points
1-0.....	Leading at Halftime
1-0.....	Tied at Halftime
0-0.....	Trailing at Halftime
0-0.....	In Overtime
1-0.....	Shooting 50% or Higher From the Field
1-0.....	Shooting 40-49% From the Field
0-0.....	Shooting Below 40% From the Field
0-0.....	Opponent Shoots 50% or Higher From the Field
0-0.....	Opponent Shoots 40-49% From the Field
2-0.....	Opponent Shoots Below 40% From the Field
1-0.....	Shooting 35% or Higher From Three-Point Range
1-0.....	Shooting Below 35% From Three-Point Range
1-0.....	Opponent Shoots 35% or Higher From Three-Point Range
1-0.....	Opponent Shoots Below 35% From Three-Point Range
1-0.....	Making More Three-Pointers Than Opponent
1-0.....	Making Fewer Three-Pointers Than Opponent
0-0.....	Making Same Number of Three-Pointers as Opponent
1-0.....	Making More Free Throws Than Opponent
1-0.....	Making Fewer Free Throws Than Opponent
0-0.....	Making Same Number of Free Throws as Opponent
0-0.....	Outrebounding the Opponent
2-0.....	Outrebounded by Opponent
0-0.....	Same Rebounds as Opponent
2-0.....	More Assists Than Opponent
0-0.....	Fewer Assists Than Opponent
0-0.....	Same Assists as Opponent
1-0.....	More Turnovers Than Opponent
1-0.....	Fewer Turnovers Than Opponent
0-0.....	Same Turnovers as Opponent
2-0.....	in November
0-0.....	in December
0-0.....	in January
0-0.....	In February
0-0.....	in March
0-0.....	on Sunday
0-0.....	on Monday
0-0.....	on Tuesday
0-0.....	on Wednesday
0-0.....	on Thursday
1-0.....	on Friday
1-0.....	on Saturday
1-0.....	in games decided by less than 5 points
0-0.....	in game decided by 6-10 points
1-0.....	in games decided by 11-15 points
0-0.....	in games decided by 15+ points
2-0.....	Robine, Gutekunst, Edmonds, R. Junghans, Abercrombie



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Numerical

No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/Previous School
3	Nick Scott	Fr.	G	5-7	Leesburg, Va./Heritage
11	Patrick Yoo	So.	G	5-9	Fairfax, Va./Fairfax
20	Darnell Edmonds	Sr.	G	5-9	Frederick, Md./Gov. Thomas Johnson
21	Justin Junghans	Sr.	G	6-0	Derwood, Md./Magruder
22	Ryan Junghans	So.	G	5-10	Derwood, Md./St. Mary's College (Md.)
23	Anthony Bennett	So.	G	5-10	Chester, Md./Delaware State
24	Tim Abercrombie	So.	G/F	6-2	Walkersville, Md./Gov. Thomas Johnson
30	Chris LeGrand	So.	G	5-10	Upper Marlboro, Md./Washington & Jefferson
34	Michael McCarrick	Fr.	F	6-4	Fairfax, Va./Flint Hill
42	Joe Carpenter	Fr.	F	6-4	Monrovia, Md./Urbana
44	Sean Robine	Sr.	F	6-5	Mount Airy, Md./Linganore
45	Nnamdi Uzoukwu	So.	F	6-6	Bowie, Md./Laurel
50	Jeff Willison	So.	C	6-6	Hancock, Md./Hancock
55	Jesse Gutekunst	Jr.	C	6-8	Hagerstown, Md./South Hagerstown

Alphabetical

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24	Tim Abercrombie	So.	G/F	6-2	Walkersville, Md./Gov. Thomas Johnson
23	Anthony Bennett	So.	G	5-10	Chester, Md./Delaware State
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55	Jesse Gutekunst	Jr.	C	6-8	Hagerstown, Md./South Hagerstown
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Head Coach: Tom Dickman (Shepherd '73) – 4th season

Assistant Coaches: Keith Adams, Emonte "Tay" Hill

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Hood College Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 20, 2006)
All games

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

## 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								
22 Ryan Junghans.....	2-2	65 32.5	11-21	.524	8-13	.615	7-8	.875	2	3	5	2.5	6	0	5	5	0	1	37	18.5
44 Sean Robine.....	2-2	58 29.0	11-19	.579	4-8	.500	2-5	.400	1	11	12	6.0	4	0	4	4	0	2	28	14.0
55 Jesse Gutekunst....	2-2	52 26.0	13-18	.722	0-2	.000	1-6	.167	6	5	11	5.5	6	0	2	3	3	3	27	13.5
24 Tim Abercrombie....	2-2	70 35.0	6-17	.353	2-7	.286	8-14	.571	1	9	10	5.0	6	0	7	6	0	4	22	11.0
45 Nnamdi Uzoukwu....	2-0	20 10.0	5-8	.625	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	4	4	8	4.0	3	0	0	2	4	1	10	5.0
03 Nick Scott.....	2-0	22 11.0	3-4	.750	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	3	3	1.5	2	0	2	5	1	1	7	3.5
20 Darnell Edmonds....	2-2	62 31.0	2-12	.167	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	2	3	5	2.5	5	0	8	4	0	2	5	2.5
34 Michael McCarrick..	2-0	20 10.0	1-6	.167	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	0	3	3	1.5	1	0	2	0	0	0	3	1.5
23 Anthony Bennett....	2-0	21 10.5	0-6	.000	0-1	.000	2-2	1.000	0	1	1	0.5	0	0	1	3	0	1	2	1.0
50 Jeff Willison.....	2-0	6 3.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1.0
30 Chris LeGrand.....	1-0	1 1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
21 Justin Junghans....	1-0	2 2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
42 Joe Carpenter.....	1-0	1 1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM.....									4	9	13	6.5	0		2					
Total.....	2	400	53-112	.473	16-41	.390	21-39	.538	20	52	72	36.0	34	0	31	35	8	15	143	71.5
Opponents.....	2	400	48-136	.353	14-42	.333	15-30	.500	39	50	89	44.5	38	-	23	36	12	16	125	62.5

TEAM STATISTICS	HOOD	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	143	125	11-17-06	vs Montclair State	W	55-53	220
Points per game.....	71.5	62.5	11-18-06	vs McDaniel	W	88-72	245
Scoring margin.....	+9.0	-					
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	53-112	48-136					
Field goal pct.....	.473	.353					
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	16-41	14-42					
3-point FG pct.....	.390	.333					
3-pt FG made per game..	8.0	7.0					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	21-39	15-30					
Free throw pct.....	.538	.500					
REBOUNDS.....	72	89					
Rebounds per game.....	36.0	44.5					
Rebounding margin.....	-8.5	-					
ASSISTS.....	31	23					
Assists per game.....	15.5	11.5					
TURNOVERS.....	35	36					
Turnovers per game.....	17.5	18.0					
Turnover margin.....	+0.5	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.9	0.6					
STEALS.....	15	16					
Steals per game.....	7.5	8.0					
BLOCKS.....	8	12					
Blocks per game.....	4.0	6.0					
WINNING STREAK.....	2	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	0	465					
Home games-Avg/Game....	0-0	0-0					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	2-232					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
Hood College.....	64	79	- 143
Opponents.....	61	64	- 125