



# Pittsburg State University

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# Gorilla Basketball Report



Game #3 • November 20, 2007  
Rhema Bible College (0-5) at Pittsburg State (2-0)  
John Lance Arena • Pittsburg

### PITTSBURG STATE (2-0, 0-0 MIAA)

N16	ROBT. MORRIS-SPRINGFIELD \$ ... W, 97-52
N17	CAMERON \$ ..... W, 85-50
N20	RHEMA BIBLE COLLEGE ..... 7 p.m.
N23	vs. Mid-America Christian & ..... 5 p.m.
N24	vs. Maryville (Mo.) & ..... 5 p.m.
N28	at Newman ..... 7 p.m.
D17	vs. St. Mary's % ..... 7:30 p.m.
D18	vs. Angelo State % ..... 5:15 p.m.
D29	SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE ..... 7 p.m.
J2	CENTRAL MISSOURI * ..... 7:30 p.m.
J5	at Truman * ..... 3 p.m.
J9	at Missouri Southern * ..... 7:30 p.m.
J12	at Emporia State * ..... 7:30 p.m.
J16	SOUTHWEST BAPTIST * ..... 7:30 p.m.
J19	NORTHWEST MISSOURI * ..... 7:30 p.m.
J23	at Missouri Western * ..... 7:30 p.m.
J26	WASHBURN * ..... 7:30 p.m.
J30	at Fort Hays State * ..... 7:30 p.m.
F2	at Central Missouri * ..... 3:30 p.m.
F7	FORT HAYS STATE* ..... 7:30 p.m.
F9	at Washburn * ..... 7:30 p.m.
F13	MISSOURI WESTERN * ..... 7:30 p.m.
F16	at Northwest Missouri * ..... 3:30 p.m.
F20	EMPORIA STATE * ..... 7:30 p.m.
F23	at Southwest Baptist * ..... 7:30 p.m.
F27	MISSOURI SOUTHERN * ..... 7:30 p.m.
M1	TRUMAN * ..... 3:30 p.m.
M7-9	MIAA Championships ..... TBA

\* MIAA game

\$ Pitt State Classic (Pittsburg)

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& Missouri Southern Classic (Joplin, Mo.)

% St. Mary's Classic (San Antonio, Texas)

### GORILLAS ON RADIO

Gorilla fans can catch all of Pitt State's basketball games locally on KKOW Radio (860 AM) & KBZI Radio (100.7 FM) with Eddie Lomshek describing the action.

KKOW's pregame show gets under way 15 minutes prior to tipoff. KKOW, which also carries PSU women's basketball coverage, will provide continuous coverage for all MIAA doubleheader action.

Fans can hear KKOW's live broadcasts anywhere in the world on the internet at:

[www.pittstategorillas.com/live-broadcasts.html](http://www.pittstategorillas.com/live-broadcasts.html)

Additionally, Lomshek hosts the Gene Iba Coaches Show each Thursday night from 5:40 to 6:00 p.m.

### The Game

The Pittsburg State University basketball team will return to the friendly confines of John Lance Arena for a non-conference match-up against Rhema Bible College Tuesday (Nov. 20).

### The Records

Pitt State enters Tuesday's action with a 2-0 record. The Gorillas breezed to a pair of lopsided home wins last weekend in the Pitt State Classic, sponsored by Pepsi, Mt. Carmel & Comfort Inn.

The Gorillas scored a 97-52 win over Robert Morris College-Springfield Friday (Nov. 16) and claimed an 85-50 victory over Cameron University Saturday (Nov. 17).

Rhema brings an 0-5 record into Tuesday's match-up. The Eagles have dropped a pair of overtime decisions in their last two outings, falling to Hendrix College, 90-77, in overtime and to Rhodes College, 101-95, in double overtime.

### The Coaches

PSU head coach **Gene Iba** is in his 13th season at the helm of the Gorillas program and his 28th season as a collegiate head coach. Iba (Tulsa, 1963) has compiled a **226-127 (.640)** record at Pitt State and a **452-330 (.578)** overall mark.

Iba has led the Gorillas to five trips to the NCAA-II National Tournament (1997-99, 2005, '07) as well as an MIAA title in 1999. He twice has garnered MIAA Coach of the Year honors.

Iba has a 1-0 record against Rhema Bible College after leading the Gorillas to an 82-49 win over the Eagles last year.

**Perry Shockley** is in his sixth season as head coach at Rhema Bible College and his 11th year as a collegiate coach.

### Scouting the Gorillas

Early in the season, the Gorillas have four players averaging in double figures: senior forward/center **Cory Abercrombie** (17.5 ppg), sophomore guard **Spencer Magana** (13.5 ppg), junior guard **Carlos Taylor** (11.0 ppg) and senior guard **Chris Roe** (11.0 ppg).

Despite averaging just 21 minutes of action in the two lopsided wins, Abercrombie (6-7, 243) has averaged a team-leading 17.5 points and 8.0 rebounds per game. The Piedmont, S.C., native has converted 15 of 20 field goal (.750) attempts. He had 20 points and eight rebounds in the win vs. Robert Morris.

Magana (6-3, 185) scored a career-high 18 points in the win against Cameron, knocking down 8 of 11 shots from the field. Magana scored 13 points and hit three 3-pointers last year against Rhema Bible College. The Dewey, Okla., native has made 12 of 17 (.706) shots from the field on the young season.

Junior guard **Aaron Jackson** turned in a solid statistical line for the Gorillas in their last outing against Cameron. The Dallas, Texas, native scored nine points, dished out a team-leading nine assists and snared six rebounds. Jackson, who transferred to PSU from Coffeyville Community College, is averaging 7.5 points, 3.5 rebounds and 6.5 assists per game.

Senior forward **Nathan Lang** is averaging 9.0 points and 5.5 rebounds per game for the Gorillas. The Muskogee, Okla., native turned in an eight-point, six-rebound effort last year against Rhema Bible College.

Roe has provided a long-range shooting spark for the Gorillas. The Iola, Kan., native has hit six of 10 3-point field goals in PSU's first two games.

As a team, Pitt State is shooting 56 percent from the field (75 of 134), 39 percent from 3-point range (15 of 39) and 71 percent from the foul line (17 of 24). The Gorillas have dished out 52 assists and logged just 32 turnovers. Pitt State has averaged 91.0 points per game in its first two outings.

### Scouting the Eagles

The Eagles, from Broken Arrow, Okla., return three starters and two USCAA All-Americans from its 2006-07 squad.

Freshman guard **Wade Rittenhouse** is coming off a 35-point scoring night in Rhema's double-overtime loss to Rhodes College in the Hendrix College Classic at Conway, Ark., on Nov. 17.

Sophomore guard **Fua Igafo** has averaged 11.5 points per game in the last two outings.

Sophomore forward **Gabe White** and sophomore guard **Jerid Cook** each eclipsed 20 points against Hendrix on Nov. 16, but the duo were limited to seven combined points the next night.

Sophomore guard Seth Pringe also enjoyed a 14-point scoring night against Rhodes.

### Up Next

The Gorillas will travel to Joplin, Mo., Friday (Nov. 23) to take part in the two-day Missouri Southern State University Chris Tucker Memorial Classic.

Pitt State will face Maryville (Mo.) University at 5 p.m. Friday and then face Mid-America Christian College at 5 p.m. Saturday (Nov. 24).

2007-08 Pitt State Basketball  
 Pittsburg State Season Schedule/Results & Leaders (as of Nov 17, 2007)  
 All games

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

##	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								
44	Abercrombie, Cory...	2-2	42 21.0	15-20	.750	0-0	.000	5-6	.833	2	14	16	8.0	5	0	0	4	3	2	35	17.5
30	Magana, Spencer.....	2-0	43 21.5	12-17	.706	2-4	.500	1-3	.333	1	6	7	3.5	7	1	4	3	1	2	27	13.5
03	Roe, Chris.....	2-1	30 15.0	8-14	.571	6-10	.600	0-0	.000	0	2	2	1.0	1	0	3	3	0	2	22	11.0
24	Taylor, Carlos.....	2-1	41 20.5	6-15	.400	3-8	.375	7-8	.875	2	6	8	4.0	3	0	7	3	0	1	22	11.0
22	Lang, Nathan.....	2-1	32 16.0	9-14	.643	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	9	11	5.5	5	0	2	4	3	0	18	9.0
01	Jackson, Aaron.....	2-0	47 23.5	6-11	.545	2-4	.500	1-1	1.000	3	4	7	3.5	5	0	13	3	1	3	15	7.5
55	Hutchingson, Michael	2-2	45 22.5	6-14	.429	1-5	.200	0-1	.000	3	3	6	3.0	0	0	11	5	0	3	13	6.5
33	Ivory, Jeff.....	2-0	30 15.0	5-9	.556	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	2	6	8	4.0	3	0	2	2	0	1	10	5.0
42	Burris, Seth.....	2-0	15 7.5	4-8	.500	0-0	.000	1-1	1.000	4	4	8	4.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	9	4.5
32	McCoy, Justin.....	2-1	31 15.5	2-4	.500	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	1	3	4	2.0	4	0	1	2	0	0	5	2.5
05	Windom, Keith.....	2-2	33 16.5	1-6	.167	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	0	2	2	1.0	4	0	9	2	0	1	3	1.5
40	Nash, Jerry.....	2-0	11 5.5	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	1	1	2	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.5
	TEAM.....									0	6	6	3.0	0			0				
	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>75-134</b>	<b>.560</b>	<b>15-39</b>	<b>.385</b>	<b>17-24</b>	<b>.708</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>43.5</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>91.0</b>
	<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>35-102</b>	<b>.343</b>	<b>11-38</b>	<b>.289</b>	<b>21-42</b>	<b>.500</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>51.0</b>

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/16/07	8:15 pm CST	\$ ROBERT MORRIS-SPRINGFIELD	W 97-52	1023	(20)Abercrombie, Cory	(8)Abercrombie, Cory
11/17/07	8:00 pm CST	\$ CAMERON	W 85-50	1053	(18)Magana, Spencer	(8)Abercrombie, Cory

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ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	2	2076	2076
AWAY.....	0	0	0
NEUTRAL.....	0	0	0
TOTAL.....	2	2076	1038