

# XAVIER

## Men's Basketball

### Today's Game:

Xavier Gold Rush (8-7) vs. Belhaven Blazers (9-7)  
 Saturday, January 20, 2007, 7 p.m.  
 at The Barn (capacity 1,300), New Orleans

■ **Series:** Xavier leads 36-10 (24-1 at The Barn) and won 15 of the last 18 meetings . . . The teams split their two games in 2004-05 — Belhaven won 84-81 on Jan. 8, 2005, at Belhaven, then Xavier won 85-74 at The Barn on Feb. 5, 2005 . . . Belhaven's only victory at The Barn was 67-61 on Feb. 6, 1997 . . . There have been five one-point decisions but none since 1992-93 . . . Biggest winning margin: Xavier 94, Belhaven 60 during the 1986-87 season.

■ **Most Recently:** Shaun Dumas had 19 points, 10 assists and seven steals last Saturday and led a key second-half surge which powered Xavier to an 83-71 GCAC victory against Loyola at The Barn. Kelechi Okorooha led the Gold Rush with 20 points. Mark Stewart scored 18, all on 3-pointers, and Alfred Williams had 15 points and 10 rebounds.

■ **Stewart's Enterprise:** Xavier junior guard Mark Stewart, thanks to 18 3-point field goals in the last three games, is rapidly climbing the school's season and career lists. Stewart has 51 treys this season, which is seventh on the XU list and well within reach of Percy Bland's 1989-90 record of 74. Stewart has 144 career 3-pointers, which ranks him third behind Bland (1988-92) with 173 and Dale Montgomery (1992-96) with 185. Stewart ranks fourth in NAIA Division I this season with 3.4 3-pointers made per game.

■ **Also Notable:**

- A victory would give Xavier its first two-game winning streak since Dec. 2.
- Xavier guard Shaun Dumas is fifth in NAIA Division I with 3.1 steals per game and sixth with 5.9 assists per game.
- Belhaven's six-game win streak from Nov. 9-Dec. 9 is the longest this season in the GCAC.
- Belhaven's Bobby Johnson, who averaged 30.5 points in two games, is the reigning GCAC Player of the Week.

### GCAC Men's Standings

	League Games			All Games		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
LSU-Shreveport	4	1	.800	13	2	.867
Mobile	4	2	.667	10	8	.556
SUNO	4	2	.667	5	7	.417
Spring Hill	3	2	.600	8	5	.615
Tougaloo	3	2	.600	5	8	.385
William Carey	4	3	.571	10	6	.625
Belhaven	2	3	.400	9	7	.563
Dillard	2	3	.400	4	8	.333
Xavier	1	4	.200	8	7	.533
Loyola	0	5	.000	3	12	.200

### GCAC Thursday Results

Dillard 76, Loyola 64  
 LSU-Shreveport 89, Belhaven 85  
 SUNO 74, Mobile 68  
 William Carey 75, Spring Hill 64

### Other GCAC Games Today

Dillard at SUNO  
 LSU-Shreveport at William Carey  
 Tougaloo at Loyola

### Upcoming Gold Rush Home Games

Monday, Jan. 22 vs. William Carey, 7:30 p.m.  
 Saturday, Jan. 27 vs. Dillard, 7 p.m.  
 Thursday, Feb. 1 vs. Spring Hill, 7:30 p.m.  
 Monday, Feb. 5 vs. Tougaloo, 7:30 p.m.

### Xavier Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
1	Michael Ruffin	G	6-1	Fr.	New Orleans, La.
3	Kelechi Okorooha	G	6-4	So.	Missouri City, Texas
4	Mark Stewart	G	6-1	Jr.	Destrehan, La.
11	Olumide Olafioye	G	6-4	Fr.	River Rouge, Mich.
12	Shaun Dumas	G	5-11	So.	New Orleans, La.
20	Dannie Woods	F	6-7	Fr.	San Antonio, Texas
21	Aaron Burgess	F/C	6-8	Sr.	Lancaster, Calif.
23	Cornelius Kennedy	F	6-5	Fr.	Los Angeles, Calif.
24	Alfred Williams	F	6-4	Jr.	Greenville, S.C.
42	Rashaad Lewis	F	6-6	Fr.	Cuthbert, Ga.

**HEAD COACH:** Dannton Jackson (Xavier 1992 and 1996) . . . record of 77-37 in four seasons at Xavier.

**ASSISTANT COACH:** David Egans (Xavier 2002), first season.

### Belhaven Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown
1	Justin Hansberry	G	6-2	Fr.	Mobile, Ala.
4	Michael McNutt	G	6-0	Fr.	Cordova, Tenn.
10	Larell Bailey	G	6-1	So.	North Little Rock, Ark.
14	Jeff Sullivan	G	6-6	Jr.	Birmingham, Ala.
23	Dax Miller	G	6-2	So.	Little Rock, Ark.
24	Bobby Johnson	G/F	6-5	Sr.	Camden, Ark.
30	Robert Johnson	F	6-5	Fr.	Greenville, Miss.
33	Julien Marion	G	6-2	So.	Braine, L'Alleud Belgium
42	Thaddeus Burns	G	6-4	Jr.	Mobile, Ala.
50	Daniel Sturgis	F	6-6	Jr.	Wellington, Fla.

**HEAD COACH:** Tom Kelsey (Lipscomb 1986) . . . second season at Belhaven, 25-20 record.

**ASSISTANT COACH:** Dennis Buse.

### Individual Leaders

Category	Xavier	Belhaven
Points Per Game	15.7 Mark Stewart	26.3 Bobby Johnson
Rebounds Per Game	6.6 Alfred Williams	7.9 Bobby Johnson
Assists Per Game	5.9 Shaun Dumas	4.0 Jeff Sullivan
3-Point Field Goals	51 Mark Stewart	44 Dax Miller

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