#21 Point Park Pioneers (10-0) at La Roche Redhawks (9-0)
Dec. 17, 2013 • 7 p.m. • Kerr Fitness Center • ON-AIR: Point Park Sports Network

### TODAY’S MATCHUP:
No. 21 Point Park (10-0) visits La Roche (9-0) for a matchup of local, undefeated teams. Point Park has not played La Roche for two years when the Pioneers won both meetings in the 2011-12 season. The Pioneers won, 58-51, on the road and, 50-44, at home. Tonight is a meeting of the top women’s college basketball teams in Pittsburgh the last few years with Point Park getting to two straight NAIA DII national tournaments and La Roche three straight in NCAA DIII.

### POINT PARK TEAMS NOTES:
Point Park takes its 10-0 record as one of four remaining unbeaten teams in NAIA Division II into its non-conference matchup with NCAA DIII La Roche. The Pioneers are three away from tying the school record for consecutive wins of 13 (2011-12 season).
- **LAST GAME:** The Pioneers cruised to a 91-62, KIAC win over Brescia on Dec. 14 with 14 players getting in the game. Point Park was up by 28 the first half. Kayla Kiriau had a team-high 15 points.
- **TOP PLAYERS:** C Sam Weir (14.1 ppg, 10.1 rpg) has led the Pioneers in scoring 6 of 10 games and led them in rebounding seven times. G/F Katresa Savisky (12.5 ppg) is the other double-digit scorer playing in her fifth game back from injury. Other starters all average above 9.2 ppg with G Kayla Kiriau (9.2 ppg), G/Alexa Xenakis (9.6 ppg) and F Carly Forse (9.2 ppg, 8.9 rpg).

### HEAD COACH:
Tony Grenek is in his third year as Pioneers coach. He has a winning percentage of .806 and an overall record of 58-14. He has led the Pioneers to two NAIA DII tournaments.

### NAIA DII TOP 25:
Ranked No. 21 this week, the Pioneers have tied for their highest national ranking. They are undefeated along with No. 1 St. Francis (Ind.) (12-0), No. 2 Northwestern (Iowa) (13-0) and No. 12 Oregon Tech (13-0). The next Top 25 Poll comes out Jan. 7.

### NAIA DII STATS:
Point Park is among the NAIA DII rebounding leaders ranking 3rd in offensive rebounds (18.3 per game) and 5th in overall rebounding (48.0 rpg). The defense is 5th in blocks (5.1), 11th in field-goal defense (.351), 8th in steals (31.0), 9th in total blocks (51) and 5th in turnover margin (+6.7). The offense is 15th in scoring (81.6 ppg) and 15th in scoring margin (+15.2).

### INJURY REPORT:
All-conference F Ja’Nia McPhatter (15.0 ppg, 8.8 rpg) has missed every game with a foot injury but could make a possible return in January. Freshman G Celina DiPietro started the first eight games but is out at least 6 weeks and possibly the year with a knee injury Nov. 25.

### KIAC P.O.W.:
Kayla Kiriau is the KIAC WBB Player of the Week Dec. 9-15. She had 15 points, four assists, four steals and made 3 of 4 from 3 range in only 20 minutes versus Brescia. She has scored in double digits in 4 of the last 5 games. She’s averaging 9.2 ppg, 5.2 rpg, 4.2 apg, 2.8 spg.

### UP NEXT:
The Pioneers host NAIA Mt. Vernon Nazarene at home Thursday at 2 p.m. Point Park beat MVNU on the road, 85-70, Nov. 9, but the Cougars are one of only three teams to beat the Pioneers at home under coach Grenek. Point Park is 30-3 at home since the start of 2011-12.

### LA ROCHE TEAM NOTES:
The Redhawks are 9-0 overall and have won 16 in a row at home. La Roche has been to the NCAA DIII national tournament the last three years, and it is under the direction of second-year coach Kim Gissendanner. She is a former WNBA player with the LA Sparks and a 1,000-point scorer at Penn State. The Redhawks are led by local talent F Mackenzie O’Donnell (14.9 ppg, 8.0 rpg) and G Cassie Cygan (18.0 ppg) from Butler, Pa., and G/F LaShauna Brothers (13.6 ppg, 7.0 rpg) from New Castle, Pa. La Roche was 24-3 last year and was 18-1 AMCC.

### TEAM STATS:
The Redhawks score 79.4 ppg and give up 54.9 ppg. La Roche shoots 42 percent from the field and holds opponents to 35 percent. La Roche forces a lot of turnovers at 30.6 per game. The Redhawks are not strong from the perimeter shooting 23 percent as a team.

### 2013-14 SCHEDULE

**OCTOBER**
- 26 at WVU Tech  W, 68-50

**NOVEMBER**
- 2 vs. Madonna  W, 77-74
- 9 at Mt. Vernon Naz.  W, 85-70
- 15 PENN STATE-GA  W, 73-52
- 16 DAEMEN  W, 77-62
- 19 PSU-FAYETTE  W, 92-66
- 23 WU TECH  W, 85-76
- 25 at Wilberforce  W, 77-68

**DECEMBER**
- 5 WILBERFORCE  PPD
- 7 ALICE LLOYD (Ky.)*  W, 91-84
- 14 BREVSCIA (Ky.)*  W, 91-62
- 17 at La Roche  7 p.m.
- 19 MT. VERNON NAZARENE  2 p.m.

**JANUARY**
- 4 at IU Southeast*  4 p.m.
- 5 at Brescia (Ky.)*  1 p.m. CT
- 10 at Berea (Ky.)*  5:30 p.m.
- 11 at Alice Lloyd (Ky.)*  2 p.m.
- 14 at PSU-Fayette  5:30 p.m.
- 18 BEREA (Ky.)*  1 p.m.
- 21 CARLOW*  8 p.m.
- 22 PSU-BEAVER  7 p.m.
- 25 ASBURY (Ky.)*  1 p.m.
- 31 at Cincinnati Christian*  5 p.m.

**FEBRUARY**
- 1 at Midway (Ky.)*  2 p.m.
- 2 vs. STLCOP* (at Midway)11 a.m.
- 8 IU SOUTHEAST*  1 p.m.
- 15 at Asbury (Ky.)*  2 p.m.
- 18 at Carlrow*  7:30 p.m.
- 21 MIDWAY (Ky.)*  5:30 p.m.
- 22 CINCINNATI CHRISTIAN3 p.m.
- 25 KIAC Tournament 1st Rd.
- 28-3/1 KIAC Tournament Final Four

**2013-14 KIAC STANDINGS**

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**Head Coach:** Tony Grenek (UP ‘94), third season. Career Record: 58-14 ('806).

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**Head Coach:** Kim Gissendanner (Penn State), second season. Record at La Roche 33-3