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#### RUNNING THE TABLE

Siena passed the ultimate test of a postseason conference tournament by becoming the seventh school in the last six years to capture a league tourney by winning four games in as many days (Metro Atlantic). Siena's Rob Lanier, a cousin of all-time great center college and NBA center Bob Lanier, became the first individual in this category to be in his initial season as a college head coach. Siena joined the following list of eight teams to go four-for-four:

School (Coach)/Conference (Year/League Tournament Opponents)

#8 seed Auburn (Sonny Smith) SEC (1985/Mississippi, Louisiana State, Florida and Alabama by an average of four points)

#5 seed Marquette (Mike Deane)/C-USA (1997/DePaul, Memphis, Cincinnati and UNC Charlotte by an average of 16 points)

#5 (Mountain) seed UNLV (Bill Bayno)/WAC (1998/Hawaii, Utah, Fresno State and New Mexico by an average of 5.5 points)

#5 seed UNC Charlotte (Bobby Lutz)/C-USA (1999/Houston, Southern Mississippi, Cincinnati and Louisville by an average of 11 points)

#3 (West) seed Arkansas (Nolan Richardson)/SEC (2000/Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana State and Auburn by an average of 7.8 points)

#9 seed Saint Louis (Lorenzo Romar)/C-USA (2000/Southern Mississippi, Cincinnati, Tulane and DePaul by an average of 10.8 points)

#6 seed Iowa (Steve Alford)/Big Ten (2001/Northwestern, Ohio State, Illinois and Indiana by an average of 12 points)

#7 seed Siena (Rob Lanier)/MAAC (2002/St. Peter's, Marist, Fairfield and Niagara by an average of 13.3 points)