



# *The Jacket Beat*

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***UPCOMING***

***EVENTS:***

**Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Annual**

**Alumni Game**

**Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Exh. Game**

**at Texas Women's Univ.**

**Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> – Season**

**Opener at Austin Coll.**



Greetings YellowJacket Women's Basketball fans! The school year is in full swing and classes are underway. The excitement level as we enter year three is at its highest point yet.

Returning from last year's team are seven young ladies who have been battle tested and know the demands of ASC basketball. Kayla Kerns (Germantown, OH) is the lone senior on the team. Kayla has played all over the backcourt in her three years and will be looked upon to provide leadership with a very young group. She is joined by La'Queda Davis (Houston, TX) who is the lone junior and appears to be seasoned for a breakout year. Five sophomores return from a year ago including Colleen Redmond (Rhome, TX) who is the leading scorer back (7.1 ppg). April McCamey (Dublin, TX) started 14 games and led the team with a .466 field goal %. Rounding out the class are Alex Flanagan (Nacogdoches, TX), Jahmilah Tyson (Houston, TX) and Sabra Sessions (Nacogdoches, TX).

Headlining a list of eight newcomers (7 freshman, 1 sophomore) for this season is Longview's own from Pine Tree HS, Alexis Popelar. Alexis was voted the East Texas Player of the Year and will make an immediate impact in the backcourt. Laura Hahn (Cuero, TX), Lauren Llanes (League City, TX) and transfer Tabitha Dansby (Henderson, TX/Jacksonville Coll) will provide size, depth and force to the interior. Sharral McGee (Arlington, TX) and Lauren Cosltow (Athens, TX) bring scoring to the backcourt while Alysa Nash (San Antonio, TX) and DeJuane Alexander (San Antonio, TX) will push for time at the point guard spot.

Also new to the LETU program is first year assistant coach Markeith Brown. Coach Brown comes to Longview after spending the past few years as owner/manager of the Texas City Rangers which is an ABA franchise. He finished his playing career at Nicholls State University in 2004 and has been involved in basketball at the high school and professional level since.

All of this newness and youth brings with it a great sense of excitement and a new energy. We will be very young, but fun to watch. I hope that you are making plans to catch the action live at some point this season.

I hope to hear from you soon as we continue to build on the proud tradition of LeTourneau Women's Basketball!

Take Care,  
Coach T

## **ATTENTION ALUMS!**

*I would like to cordially invite you to our first annual 'Alumni Night'. We will be hosting an alumni game on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. We would like to get as many of you as possible to pull the old sneakers out of the closet, dust them off, and tip it off for braggin' rights!*

*Our hope is to form a bridge from those of you have worn the Blue and Gold in the past to our current crop of young ladies looking to carry on the proud tradition. The time to renew old friendships and begin new ones is here. My hope is that you alums can use this as an opportunity to reach out and connect to former teammates who you may have lost contact with.*

*I want to invite you to come early to catch part of our practice from 4 – 6 and then plan to stay afterwards for a dinner and time of fellowship. I realize that there may be some who have hung them up for good, but we would still love to have you around. The Legend, Coach Mary Ann Otwell, will be in attendance (not sure if she is playing or not) as well as former assistant coach Dr. Vickie Sheaffer.*

*If it is convenient I would greatly appreciate your response with regards to being able to attend or not by **October 30<sup>th</sup>**. This will help us know how many to plan for. The best way to contact me is through email at [coreythomaston@letu.edu](mailto:coreythomaston@letu.edu). We hope to see you here!!!*

## 2009-10 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Schedule

Day/Date	Opponent	Location	Time
<b>November</b>			
Tue. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Texas Women's University (EX)	Denton, TX	7:00
Tue. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Austin College	Sherman, TX	TBA
Mon. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Texas College	LONGVIEW	6:00
Sat. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Howard Payne University*	LONGVIEW	1:00
Mon. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Sul Ross State University*	LONGVIEW	5:30
<b>December</b>			
Thur. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mary Hardin-Baylor*	Belton, TX	5:30
Sat. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Concordia University*	Austin, TX	1:00
Sat. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Schreiner University*	LONGVIEW	1:00
Mon. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Texas Lutheran University*	LONGVIEW	5:30
Wed. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Austin College	LONGVIEW	5:30
<b>January</b>			
Mon. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Texas Pan-American	Edinburg, TX	TBA
Thur. 7 <sup>th</sup>	McMurry University*	Abilene, TX	5:30
Sat. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Hardin-Simmons University*	Abilene, TX	1:00
Thur. 14 <sup>th</sup>	University of Ozarks*	LONGVIEW	5:30
Sat. 16 <sup>th</sup>	University of Texas-Dallas*	LONGVIEW	1:00
Mon. 18 <sup>th</sup>	University of Dallas	Dallas, TX	TBA
Thur. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Mississippi College*	LONGVIEW	5:30
Sat. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Louisiana College*	LONGVIEW	1:00
Tue. 26 <sup>th</sup>	East Texas Baptist University*	Marshall, TX	5:30
Sat. 30 <sup>th</sup>	University of Texas-Tyler*	Tyler, TX	1:00
<b>February</b>			
Tue. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	East Texas Baptist University*	LONGVIEW	5:30
Sat. 6 <sup>th</sup>	University of Texas-Tyler*!	LONGVIEW	1:00
Thur. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mississippi College*	Clinton, MS	5:30
Sat. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Louisiana College*	Pineville, LA	1:00
Thur. 18 <sup>th</sup>	University of Ozarks*	Clarksville, AR	5:30
Sat. 20 <sup>th</sup>	University of Texas-Dallas*	Richardson, TX	1:00
26 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup>	ASC Championship	TBD	TBA

\* ASC Conference Game

! Senior Night

## **NOTICE!!!**

**Send us your email address! We want to compile a list of names and email addresses to add to our website specifically for alumni. This will give you the opportunity to find and contact others. Join us now and be a part of the team.**